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Rom. Brev.

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1867	Mar. 6	Apr. 21	May 30	June 9	June 20	Dec. 1	
1868	Feb. 26	Apr. 12	May 21	May 31	June 11,	Nov. 29	
1869	Feb. 10	Mar. 28	May 6	May 16	May 27	Nov. 28	
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2. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that

shall take the name of the Lord his God in vain.

3. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and shalt do all thy works; but on the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: thou shalt do no work on it, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy beast, nor the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and the sea, and all things that are in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it.

4. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thou mayest be long-lived upon the land which the Lord thy God will

give thee.

5. Thou shalt not kill.

6. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

7. Thou shalt not steal.

8. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

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 - 2. Blessed are the meek; for they shall possess the land.
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 - 5. Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy.
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A soul to save,
A body to mortify,
Sins to expiate,
Virtues to acquire,

Hell to avoid.

Heaven to gain,
Eternity to prepare for,
Time to profit of,
Neighbours to edify,
The world to despise,
Devils to combat,
Passions to subdue,
Death perhaps to suffer,
And Judgment to undergo.

A Summary

OF

CHRISTIAN FAITH AND PRACTICE:

OR

WHAT EVERY CHRISTIAN MUST BELIEVE AND DO IN ORDER TO SALVATION.

I. What every Christian must believe.

EVERY Christian must believe that there is one God, and no more than one God: that this God is a pure Spirit, the Lord and Maker of heaven and earth, who has neither beginning nor end, but is always the same; is every where present; knows and sees all things; can do all things whatsoever he pleases; and is infinite in all perfections.

- 2. Every Christian is bound to believe that in this one God there are three several Persons, perfectly equal, and of the same substance: the Father, who proceeds from none; the Son, who is born of the Father before all ages; and the Holy Ghost, who proceeds eternally from the Father and the Son; and that these three Persons are all equally eternal, equal in wisdom and power, and are all three one and the same Lord, one and the same God.
- 3. We must all believe that this God created the angels to be with him for ever, and that one part of them fell from God by sin, and became devils; that God also created Adam and Eve, the first parents of all mankind, and placed them in the earthly paradise, from whence they were justly banished for the sin they committed in sating of the fruit of the fc

bidden tree; and that by this transgression of Adam we are all born in sin, and must have been lost for ever, if God had not sent us a Saviour.

4. We are bound to believe in this Saviour of all mankind, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, true God, and true man; perfect God from all eternity, equal to his Father in all things; and perfect man, from the time of his coming down from

heaven for us, having a body and soul like us.

5. We must believe that this Jesus Christ, our Saviour, who had been long foretold by the prophets, was, at God's appointed time, conceived in the womb of the Virgin Mary, by the power of the Holy Ghost, without having any man for his father, and was born of her, she still remaining a pure virgin: that, during the time of his mortal life, he founded the Christian religion by his heavenly doctrine and wonderful miracles, and then offered himself a sacrifice for the sins of the whole world, by dying upon a cross, to purchase mercy, grace, and salvation, for us; and that neither mercy, nor grace, nor salvation, either can, or ever could, since Λdam's fall, be obtained any otherwise than through this death and passion of the Son of God.

6. We must believe that Jesus Christ, after he had been dead and buried for part of three days, rose again on the third day from death to life, never to die any more; and that, for the space of forty days, he was pleased, at different times, to manifest himself to his disciples, and then ascended into heaven in their sight; where, as man, he continually intercedes for us. From thence he sent down the Holy Ghost upon his disciples, to abide with them for ever, as he had promised, and to guide them and their successors into all

truth.

7. We must believe the Catholic or universal Church of Christ, of which he is the perpetual Head, and his Spirit the perpetual Director; which is founded upon a rock, and is ever victorious over all the powers of death and hell. This Church is always one, by all its members professing one faith, in one communion, under one chief pastor, succeeding St. Peter, to whom Christ committed his whole flock; St. John xxi. 15, 16, 17. This same Church is always holy, by teaching a holy doctrine, by inviting all to a holy life, and by the eminent holiness of many of her children. She is Catholic, or universal, by subsisting in all ages, by teaching all nations, and maintaining all truth: she is apostolical, by deriving her

dectrine, her communion, her orders, and her mission, by an uninterrespited succession from the Apostles of Christ.

8. With this Cathelic Church, the Scriptures, both of the Old and New Testament, were deposited by the Apostles; she is, in her pastors, the guardian and interpreter of them. and the judge of all controversies relating to them. These Scriptures, thus interpreted, together with the traditions of the Apostles, are to be received and admitted by all Christians for the rule of their faith and practice.

9. We must believe that Jesus Christ has instituted in his Charch seven sacraments, or mysterious signs and instrumental causes of divine grace in our souls. Baptism, by way of a new birth, by which we are made children of God, and washed from sin. Confirmation, by which we receive the Holy Ghost, by the imposition of the hands of the successors of the Apostles; Acts viii. The blessed Eucharist, which feeds and acurishes our souls with the body and blood of Christ, really present under the forms of bread and wine, or under either of them. Penance, by which penitent sinners are absolved from their sins, by virtue of the commission given by Christ to his ministers; St. John xx., and St. Matt. xviii. Extreme Unction, which wipes away the remains of sin, and arms the soul with the grace of God in the time of sickness; St. James v. Holy Orders, by which the ministers of God are consecrated. And Matrimony, which, as a sacred sign of the indissoluble union of Christ and his Church, unites the married couple in a holy band, and imparts a grace to them suitable to that state; Eph. v.

10. We must believe that Jesus Christ has also instituted the great Eucharistic Sacrifice of his body and blood in remembrance of his death and passion. In this sacrifice he is both priest and victim. This sacrifice is the principal worship of the new law, in which, and by which, we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ, and with him and through him we adore God in spirit and truth, give him thanks for all his blessings, obtain his grace for ourselves and the whole world, and pardon for all our sins, and those of the living and the dead.

11. We must believe that there is, in the Catholic or universal Church of God, a communion of saints, by means of which we communicate with all holy ones and in all holy things. We communicate with the saints in heaven, as our tellow-members under the same head, Christ Jesus; we give thanks to God for his gifts to them, and we beg a share in their prayers. We communicate with all the saints upon earth in the same sacraments and sacrifice, and in a holy union of faith and charity. And we communicate with the faithful, who have departed this life in a more imperfect state, and who, by the law of God's justice, are for a while in a place of suffering, by offering prayers and alms and sacrifice to God for them.

12. We must believe also the necessity of divine grace, without which we cannot make so much as one step towards heaven; and that all our good and all our merits are the gift of God; that Christ died for all men; that God is not the author of sin; and that his grace does not take away our free will.

13. We must believe that Jesus Christ will come from heaven at the last day to judge us all; that all the dead, both good and bad, shall rise from their graves at the sound of the last trumpet, and shall be judged by him according to their works; that the good shall go to heaven with him, body and soul, to be happy for all eternity in the enjoyment of the Sovereign Good; and that the wicked shall be condemned, both body and soul, to the torments of hell, which are most grievous and everlasting.

II. What every Christian must do.

1. Every Christian, in order to life everlasting, must worship God as his first beginning and last end. This worship is to be performed, first, by faith, which makes both the understanding and the will humbly adore and embrace all those truths which God has taught, however obscure and incomprehensible they may be to our weakness. 2dly, By hope, which honours the infinite power, goodness, and mercy of God, and the truth of his promises; and, upon these grounds, raises the soul to an assured expectation of mercy, grace, and salvation, through the merits of Jesus Christ. 3dly, By charity, which teaches us to love God with our whole hearts, for his own sake, and our neighbours as ourselves, for God's sake. 4thly, By the virtue of religion, the chief acts of which are adoration, praise, thanksgiving, oblation of ourselves to God, sacrifice, and prayer, which ought to be the daily employments of a Christian soul.

2. We must fly all idolatry, all false religions and supersti-

tion; under which name are comprehended all manner of divinations or pretensions to fortune-telling; all witchcraft, charms, spells, observations of omens, dreams, &c. All these things are heathenish, and contrary to the worship of the true and living God, and to that dependence a Christian soul ought to have on him.

 We must reverence the name of God and his truth by a religious observance of all lawful oaths and vows, and by carefully avoiding all false, rash, unjust, or blasphemous oaths

and curses.

4. We must dedicate some notable part of our time to his divine service; and, more especially, consecrate to him those days that he has ordered to be sanctified or kept holy.

5. Under God, we must love, reverence, and obey our parents and other lawful superiors, spiritual and temporal, and observe the laws of the Church and State; as also, we must have a due care of our children, and of others that are under

our charge, both as to their souls and bodies.

6. We must abstain from all injuries to our neighbour's person, by murder or any other violence; and from all hatred, envy, and desire of revenge; as also from spiritual murder, which is committed by drawing him into sin, by words, actions, or ill example.

7. We must abstain from adultery, and from all uncleanness of thoughts, words, and actions, and from every thing

which may lead to such.

8. We must not steal, cheat, or any other way wrong our neighbour in his goods and possessions; we must give every one his own, pay our debts, and make restitution for all un-

just damages which we have caused.

9. We must not wrong our neighbour in his character or good name, by detraction or rash judgment; or in his honour, by reproaches and affronts; or rob him of the peace of his mind, by scoffs and contempt; or of his friends, by carrying stories backwards and forwards. In all which cases, whosoever wrongs his neighbour is obliged to make restitution or satisfaction.

10. As we are commanded to abstain from all deeds of lust and injustice, so are we also strictly obliged to restrain all desires in these kinds, and to resist the irregular motions of concupiscence. So far the Ten Commandments; which are a short abridgement of the whole eternal and natural law, which admits of no dispensation.

Prayer

BEFORE ASSISTING AT THE DIVINE OFFICE, OR OTHER DEVOTIONS.

O almighty, everlasting God, I, thy most unworthy creature, appear here before the throne of thy grace, desiring to pour out my heart before thee, and to worship thee, my God, as well and as perfectly as I can. Where fore I begin and will faithfully continue this office [or, this prayer] in union with the love wherewith thy Son worshipped thee, and wrought all the whole work of our redemption; beseening thee that I may be enabled to pay thee a tribute of honeur and praise like that which the most precious Humanity of Jesus and the most holy Virgin Mary rendered thee unceasingly. And to this end I offer these my prayers to thee, in the virtue and merit of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in his name and in that of all thy holy angels and saints, to thy eternal praise and glory. I humbly implore thee to preserve me from all distraction and dryness of spirit, and to enable me duly to bring thee this my appointed tribute of prayer and praise. Amen.

ASPIRATION BEFORE OFFICE.

O Lord Jesus, in union with the intention and love with which thou didst give praise to God the Father, I offer and will recite [or, assist at] this hely office.

The above prayers may be used in church before any service.

They are taken from St. Gertrude.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND DEVOTIONS FOR MORNING.

As soon as you awake, make the sign of the cross, saying:

Glory be to the Father, who hath created me. Glory be to the Son, who hath redeemed me. Glory be to the Holy Ghest, who hath sanctified me.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity new and for ever. Amen.

On rising from your bed, say,

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I arise. May be bless, preserve, and govern me, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

While you are dressing, occupy yourself with pious thoughts and meditations, on some point in the life or passion of your Saviour, on God's mercies, on your own sins, on the temptations of the world, on the shortness of life, on eternity, &c.; or say some psalm or hymn. See Index.

As soon as you are dressed, prepare to say your morning prayers. There is no duty of greater importance than this; none has greater influence upon our lives. According as it is well or ill performed will be the character of the day; and our life is made up of days. Before you begin your prayers, therefore, recollect yourself, and compose your mind. Think who you are, and what He is whom you are about to address; and endeavour to clothe yourself with those sentiments of humility, reverence, and awe, which become your on such an occasion, and at such a time. Then, kneeling down in the quietest and most retired spot

you can find, if possible in some room or part of the room

devoted to the purpose, begin your prayers.

Our prayers and devotions must consist of acts of adoration. praise, and thanksgiving to God for his mercies, of confession of our sins, resolution of amendment, oblation of ourselves to God's service, prayers for pardon and grace, and prayers in behalf of others. &c.

All forms of prayer are composed, more or less, of these parts, though not always in the same order. Each person is at liberty to please himself both as to the form and arrangement of his prayers. Some forms are useful if not necessary for all. We shall give several of those forms which have been most approved, and are most used, to suit the different tastes of different minds, and to afford to all the advantage of occasional variety. A greater variety may be gained by adding at choice one or more of the "Occasional Prayers."

Morning Braper.

Make the sign of the cross; saying,

In the name of the A Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity now and

for ever. Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and

thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

O God, who on this day didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit; grant us in the same Spirit to relish what is right, and ever to rejoice in his consolation. Through Jesus Christ, &c. Amen.

1. An Act of Faith in the Presence of God.

O my God! I firmly believe that thou art here present, and perfectly seest me, and observest all my actions, all my thoughts, and the most secret motions of my heart. I acknowledge that I am not worthy to come into thy presence, nor to lift up my eyes unto

thee, because I have so often sinned against thee. But thy goodness and mercy invite me to come unto thee. Assist me, therefore, with thy Holy Spirit, and teach me to pray to thee as I ought.

Our Rather, &c. Hail, Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

2. An Act of Adoration and Thanksgiving.

O eternal God! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; the beginning and end of all things; in whom we live, and move, and have our being: prostrate before thee in body and soul, I adore thee with the most profound humility. I praise and bless thee, and give thee thanks for all the benefits which thou hast conferred upon me; that thou hast created me out of nothing, made me after thine own image and likeness, redeemed me with the precious blood of thy Son, and sanctified me with thy Holy Spirit. I thank thee that thou hast called me into thy Church, assisted me by thy grace, so often admitted me to thy sacraments, borne with my ingratitude so long, watched over me by thy special providence; blessed me, notwithstanding my sins and utter unworthiness, with the continuance of thy gracious protection; and for all the innumerable blessings which I owe to thy undeserved bounty. Particularly this morning, I thank thee for having preserved me during the night past, and for bringing me in safety to the beginning of another day. O my God, how good art thou unto me! What return can I make unto thee for all that thou hast done unto me? I will bless thy holy name, and serve thee truly all the days of my life. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and let all that is within me praise his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that he hath done for thee.

Here call to mind the chief sins of your past life, and make resolutions against the temptations and dangerous occasions you may probably meet with this day.

3. An Act of Contrition, with good Resolutions.

O my God, how little have I served thee in time

past! how greatly have I sinned against thee! Is acknowledge my iniquity, and my sin is always before me. But I repent, O Lord, I repent. I am heartily sorry that I have lost that time in offending thee which thou gavest me to be employed in thy service, in advancing the good of my own soul, and obtaining everlasting life. I detest all the sine which I have committed against thy divine Majesty, and I resolve never to commit them any more. I am sorry, above all things, that I have offended thee, because thou art infinitely good, and sin is infinitely displeasing to thee. I love thee with my whole heart,—at least I desire so to do; and I firmly purpose, by the help of thy grace, to serve thee more faithfully for the time to come.

Receive, I beseech thee, the offering I now make to thee of the remainder of my life. I renew the vows and promises made in my baptism. I renew the vows and and all his works; the world, and all its pomps. I now begin, and will endeavour to spend this day according to thy holy will, performing all my actions so that they may be pleasing unto thee. I will take particular care to avoid the fairings I am so apt to commit, and to exercise the virtues most agreeable to my state and employment.

4. An Oblation.

I offer to thee, O my God, the life and death of thy only Son; and with them these my affections and resolutions, my thoughts, words, deeds, and sufferings of this day, and of all my life, in honour of thy adorable Majesty; in thanksgiving for all thy benefits, in satisfaction for my sins, and to obtain the assistance of thy grace; that, persevering to the end in doing thy holy will, I may love and enjoy thee for ever in thy glory.

5. A Petition.

Thou knowest, O God, how weak and unable I am to do good. Leave me not to myself, but take me under thy protection, and give me grace faithfully to comply with these holy resolutions. Enlighten my understanding with a lively faith, raise up my will to a firm hope,

and inflame it with an ardent charity. Strengthen my weakness, and cure the corruption of my heart; grant that, overcoming my enemies, both visible and invisible. I may make good use of thy grace; - and vouchsafe to add to these blessings the inestimable gift of final perseverance.

V. Unto thee, O Lord, I have lifted up my voice.

R. And early in the morning my prayer shall come before thee.

V. Let my mouth be ever filled with thy praises.

R. That I may sing of thy glory, and all the day long of thy greatness.

V. Turn away thy face, O Lord, from my sins.

R. And blot out all my iniquities.

V. Create in me a clean heart, O God.

R. And renew a right spirit within me. V. Cast me not away from thy presence.

R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

V. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation. R. And strengthen me with a perfect spirit.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.
R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day,

R. To keep us without sin.
V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

V. Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord.

R. As we have put our trust in thee.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

P. And let my cry come unto thee.

A Collect.

Lord God Almighty, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, let thy powerful grace so conduct us through it, that we may not fall into any sin, but that all our thoughts, words, and works may be guided by the rules of thy heavenly justice, and tend to the observance of thy holy law, through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord God. King of heaven and earth, vouchsafe

this day to direct and sanctify, to rule and govern, our hearts and bodies, our thoughts, words, and deeds, in thy law, and in the works of thy commandments; that henceforth and for ever, O Saviour of the world, we may be protected and saved, through thy mighty help, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

O God, who, out of thy unspeakable providence, art pleased to appoint thy holy angels for our guardians; give ear to the supplications which we make for a continuance of their protection, and that we may be added

to their joyful number for all eternity. Amen.

May the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and all the saints, be our intercessors with the Lord, that we may be succoured and secured by him who liveth and reign-

eth to everlasting ages. Amen.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting; and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

A SECOND FORM OF MORNING PRAYER.

A In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, crucified, I arise; bless me, O Lerd; govern me, protect me, and confirm me in all good works, this day and for ever; and after this short and miserable pilgrimage, bring me to everlasting happiness. Amen.

O God the Father, who saidst in the beginning, Let there be light, and it was made; enlighten my eyes, that I may never sleep in sin, lest at any time the deceits of the enemy, or my own corruption, should prevail

against me.

O God the Son, most beautiful and true light, shining in darkness, and enlightening every one that comes into this world; dispel all clouds of ignorance, and give me a right understanding, that in thee, and through thee, I may see and know the Father; whom to know is to live; and to serve, is to reign for ever.

O God the Holy Ghost, who inflamest the wills of all those in whom thou youchsafest to dwell with heavenly

affection; pour into my mind the gifts of holy charity, that, despising all vain and transitory things, I may, with a continual desire, long for the true and everlasting

joys of thy heavenly kingdom.

O holy Trinity, one God, defend me this day from the deceits and temptations of the devil, keep me from all sin, and preserve me from sudden and unprovided death. Raise up, O God, my body from sleep and drowsiness, and my soul from sin, that I may praise and glorify thy holy name, to whom belongs all benediction, and honour, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, now and for ever. Amen.

In the name of the Father, &c.

Blessed be the holy and undivided, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail, Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

I confess to Almighty God, to the blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the saints, that I have sinned exceedingly, in hought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

May Almighty God have mercy on me, forgive me my

sins, and bring me to life everlasting. Amen.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant med-pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. Amen.

Lord God Almighty, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, let thy powerful grace so conduct as through it, that we may not fall into any sin, but that all our thoughts, words, and works may be guided by the rules of thy heavenly justice, and tend to the observance of thy holy law, through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O most sweet Saviour Jesus Christ, open thou my heart and lips, to praise and glorify thy holy name which is blessed above all names; purify my soul fromall evil and perverse thoughts, that my mind may continually meditate on thee, my lips bless thee, and my life glorify thee. And because, through thy goodnessalone, I have been created, to the praise and glory of thy holy name, grant, I beseech thee, that I may faithfully serve thee here, and eternally rejoice with thee hereafter; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, world without end. Amen.

Almighty God, who, dwelling in the highest heavens, vouchsafest to regard the lowest creature on earth; I humbly adore thy sacred Majesty, and with all the powers of my soul exalt and praise thy name for the infinite ble sings thou hast so freely bestowed on me; for electing me in thy love, and creating me in thy own image; for redeeming me by thy Son, and sanctifying me with thy holy Spirit; for preserving me in all the chances and accidents of this life, and raising up my thoughts to the hope of a better; and particularly this morning, that thou hast protected me from the dangers of the night, and hast brought me safely to the beginning of this day. Continue, O Lord, thy mercy to me; and as thou hast awakened my body from sleep, so raise my soul from sin, that I may walk soberly and chastely, as in the day, in all holy obedience before thy face.

Deliver me, O merefful God, from the evils of this day, and guide my feet in the way of peace; strengthen my resolution to embrace with gladness all opportunities of doing good, and carefully to avoid all occasions of sin, especially those which I have found, by experience, to be most dangerous to my soul; and when, through frailty, I forget thee, do thou, in thy mercy, remember me; that as I often fall by the evil propensity of my nature, I may always rise again by the assistance of thy grace. Make me diligent in the duties of my calling and station and not too solicitous about the thinge of this life; but in all the miseries and crosses of the world, absolutely to submit to thy divina pleasure, and wholly to rely on any merciful providence. Let thy

blessings be upon my actions, and thy grace direct my intentions; that the whole course of my life, and the principal design of my heart, may always tend to the advancement of thy glory, the good of others, and the eternal salvation of my own soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Give me grace, O Lord, to do what thou commandest,

and command what thou pleasest.

Give me grace to suffer what thou permittest, and permit what thou pleasest.

O holiest Virgin, Mother of my God, and my especial Patroness, shew thyself my mother, and take me under

thy protection this day.

Angel of God, who art my guardian, enlighten, guard, direct, and govern me, who have been committed to thee

by the supernatural clemency. Amen.
And ye, O holy saints (N.N.), my chosen and beloved patrons, intercede for me to God, that, by the guidance of his grace, I may love and serve him here; and hereafter, with you, behold his face for all eternity. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon me, and dwell in my heart for

ever. Amen.

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A THIRD FORM OF MORNING PRAYER.

Awaking in the morning, say :

O my God, my only God, the author of my being and my last end, I offer thee my heart. Praise, honour, and glory be to thee for ever and ever.

I will arise from this bed of eleep to adore my God, and to labour for the salvation of my soul. Oh, may I arise in the last day to life everlasting!

When clothed, kneel and say

In the name of the Father, &c.

Place yourself in the presence of God...

Most holy and adorable Trinity, one God in three persons, I believe that thou art here present; I adore thee with the deepest humility, and render to thee, with my whole heart, the homage which is due to thy sovereign majesty.

. Thank God, and effer yourself to Him.

My God, I most humbly thank thee for all the favours thou hast bestowed upon me up to the present moment. I give thee thanks from the bottom of my heart that thou hast created me after thine own image and likeness, that thou hast redeemed me by the precious blood of thy dear Son, and that thou hast preserved me and brought me safe to the beginning of another day. I offer to thee, O Lord, my whole being, and in particular all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings of this day. I consecrate them all to the glory of thy name, beseeching thee that through the infinite merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour they may all find acceptance in thy sight. May thy divine love animate them, and may they all tend to thy greater glory.

Resolve to avoid Sing and to practice Heliness.

Adorable Jesus, my Saviour and Master, model of all perfection, I resolve and will endeavour this day to imitate the example, to be like thee mild, humble, chaste, zealous, charily table, and resigned. I will redouble my efforts that I may not fall this day into any of those sins which I have heretofore committed (here you may name any besetting sin), and which I sincerely desire to forsake.

Implore the necessary Graces.

O my God, thou knowest my poverty and weakness, and that I am unable to do any thing good without thee; dony me not,

O God, the help of thy grace; proportion it to my necessities; give me strength to avoid every thing evil which thou forbiddest, and to practise the good which thou hast commanded; and enable me to bear patiently all the trials which it may please thee to send me.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe. I confess, &c.

An Act of Faith.

O my God, I firmly believe all that thou hast revealed, and which the holy Catholic Church proposes to me to be believed, because thou art truth itself, which can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I desire to live and die.

An Act of Hope.

O my God, relying on thy gracious promises, I hope, by the merits of Jesus Christ, for the pardon of my sins, grace to serve thee faithfully in this life by doing the good works which then hast commanded, and eternal happiness in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

An Act of Love.

O my God, I love thee with my whole heart, and above all things, because thou art infinitely good in thyself and infinitely to boved; and for the love of thee I love my neighbour as to be supposed.

An Act of Contrition.

O my God, I repent with my whole heart of having offended thee; I detest my aims for the leve of thee; I firmly resolve mere to offend thee again, and by the halp of thy grace to svoid every occasion of sin.

Ask the Prayers of the Saints.

Hely Virgin, Mother of God, my Mother and Patroness, I place myself under the protection, I throw myself with confidence into the arms of my compassion. Be to me, O Mother of mercy, my refuge in distance, my consolation under suffering, my advocate with thy adorable Son, now and at the hour of my death.

Angel of heaven, my faithful and loving guide, obtain for me grace to be obedient to thy holy inspirations, and so to direct my steps that I may not in any thing depart from the

will and commandments of my God.

O great Saint, whose name I bear, pretect me, pray for me, that like you I may serve Golf faithfully on earth, and glotiftim eternally with you in heaven. Amen.

Angelus Domini, see p. 30.

PRAYER OF ST. IGNATIUS.

Take, O Lord, and accept all my liberty; my memory, my understanding, and my will. Take me, and all that I have and am. Thou hast given me all; behold, I restore all to thee, to be disposed of according to thy good pleasure. Give me only thy grace and thy love; this is sufficient for me; I will not ask any thing else of thee but this. Amen.

A DEVOUT RECOMMENDATION,

Which may be used every Morning, or at any other time.

I adore and glorify thee, O blessed Trinity, God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; I offer myself to thy divine Majesty, humbly beseeching thee to take from me, and from all the faithful, whatever displeases thee, and to give us that which is grateful in thy sight. Grant that we may here do what thou commandest, and hereafter receive what thou promisest.

To thee, O Lord, I commend my soul and body [my wife and children, my father and mother, my brothers and sisters]; all my relations, benefactors, friends, and acquaintances; all who have injured or offended me; and all whom I have in any way scandalised, injured, or offended; all who have asked my prayers, or for whom I am accustomed or bound to pray: supply all their necessities, comfort and support them in all their trials and afflictions, deliver them from all temptations, make them in this world truly to know, love, and serve thee, and to enjoy thee hereafter in heaven.

I pray also for thy holy Catholic Church; for its chief Pastor, Pius IX., our Pope, that the spirit of wisdom, fortitude, and piety, may rest upon him; for the Bishops [especially N. our Bishop], and for all the Pastors and Clergy of thy Church, that they may direct the faithful in the way of salvation; for all religious orders of men and women (to whose prayers and good works I desire to be associated); and for all the faithful. I pray for all

heretics, that they may be enlightened; and for all poor sinners, that they may be converted; and for the universal spread of truth and righteousness. I pray for this our country, that thou wouldst deliver us from all those evils which we most justly have deserved by our sins, and bring us back into the ways of truth, peace, and godliness. I pray for the Queen, and all who are in authority, that they may fear thee, and promote the good of thy Church; for the poor, and all who are tempted or afflicted; and for all who are in their last agony. Lastly, I commend all universally to thy divine protection, that thou mayest vouchasfe to the living forgiveness of their sins, and to the souls departed, rest and peace. Amen.

At going forth

Shew me, O Lord, thy ways, and teach me thy paths. Direct my steps according to thy word, that no injustice may rule over me. Make perfect my walking in thy paths, that my footsteps may not be moved.

O divine wisdom, the eternal word of the Father, I humbly beseech thee, by thy grace, to purge my lips from all wicked and unprofitable words, that my mouth may never open but to thy praise and honour, and to the benefit of others.

On going into Church.

O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercies, I will enter into thy house, and worship thee in thy holy temple, and praise thy name.

At taking Holy Water.

Sprinkle me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed; wash me, and I shall be made whiter than the snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

GRACE BEFORE MEAT.

V. Benedic, Domine, nos et heec tus dona, que de these thy gifts, which of thy tua lergitate sumus sump- bounty we are about to returi; per Christum Dominum ceive; through Christ cur nostrum.

R. Amen.

V. Bless us, O Lord, and Lord.

R. Amen.

GRACE AFTER MEAT.

Agimus tibi gratias, omnipotens Deus, pro universis almighty God, for all thy beneficiis tuis; qui vivis et benefits; who livest and regnas in sæcula sæculo- reignest, world without end. rum. Amen.

Retribuere dignere, Dotuum, vitam æternam. A- everlasting. Amen. men.

Fidelium animæ. &c.

We give thee thanks, Amen.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to mine, omnibus nobis bona render to all who do us good facientibus propter nomen for thy name's sake life

> May the souls of the faithful. &c.

*THE ANGELUS.

I. V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ.

R. Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

Ave, Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; benedicta tu inter mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui. Jesus. Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen. II. V. Ecce ancilla Do-

mini.

R. Fist mihi secundum verbum tuum.

I. The angel of the Lord announced unto Mary, and she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

II. Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it done unto me secording to thy

word. Google

Ave, Maria, &c.

III. V. Et Verbum caro factum est.

R. Et habitavit in nobis. mong us.

Ave, Maria, &c.

Gratiam tuam, quæsumus, Domine, mentibus nostris infunde, ut qui, angelo nuntiante, Christi filii tui incarnationem cognovimus, per passionem ejus et crucem ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur; per eumdena Christum Dominum nestrum. Amer.

Hail, Mary, &c.

III. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt a-

Hail, Mary, &c.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Paschal time the Regina Cali is said instead of the above. See end of Compline.]

_____ Chening Brayers.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the hely and undivided Trinity, now

and for ever. Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful,

and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Our Father, &c. Hail, Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

1. Place yourself in the Presence of God.

O almighty and eternal God, whose majesty filleth heaven and earth, I firmly believe that thou are here present; that thy adorable eye is on me; that thou seest and

knowest all things, and art most intimately present in

the very centre of my soul.

I desire to bow down all the powers of my soul to adore thee; I desire to join my voice with all thy blessed angels and saints, to praise thee and glorify thee now and for ever.

2. Give Thanks.

I give thee thanks, from the bottom of my heart, for all thy mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and upon thy whole Church; and particularly for those I have received from thee this day, in thy watching over me, and preserving me from so many evils, and favouring me with so many graces and inspirations, &c. [Here pause, and meditate on God's mercies.] Oh, let me never more be ungrateful unto thee, my God, who art so good and gracious unto me.

3. Ask for Light to discover your Sins.

And now, dear Lord, add this one blessing to the rest: that I may clearly discover the sins which I have committed this day, by thought, word, and deed, or by any omission of any part of my duty to thee, to my neighbour, or to myself; that no part of my guilt may be hidden from my own eyes, but that I may see my sins in their true colour, and may detest them as they ought to be detested.

4. Daily Examination.

How have you performed your prayers, and other spiritual exercises? Have you neglected them, or shortened them.

or said them with hurry and indevotion?

Have you endeavoured to live as in God's presence this day, and tried in all things to please him? Have you been guilty of murmuring or impatience under the will and appointments of God? Have you diligently performed all your ordinary duties, without sloth, carelessness, or procrastination?

Have you been guilty of any act or word contrary to truth,

honesty, or purity?

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Have you given way to any evil temper—pride, passion, vanity, envy, hatred, &c.? Have you spoken evil of any one, or unnecessarily of other persons? faults? Have you striven against your besetting sins? Have you carefully avoided all dangerous occasions of sin?

Are you endeavouring to make advances in the spiritual life, —in holiness, love of God, and superiority to the world,

and not only abstaining from actual sin?

make an act of contrition for all,

Are you using the necessary means of a holy life,—prayer, meditation, and the reading of the word of God and devout books?

(Whenever you find that you have been guilty of any sin, note it, with its aggravating circumstances, in order to make full confession of it when you next go to confession.)
Having carefully examined yourself, end called to mind your faults, recollect the chief sins of your past his also, and

5. An Act of Contrition.

O Father of mercies! who desirest not the death of sinners; look upon me, a miserable sinner, according to the multitude of thy mercies. I acknowledge and confess, and am heartily sorry for all the sins of my past life, and of this day in particular. I cast myself at thy feet, and beseech thee to cover all my sins with that infinite love with which thou hast loved us from all eternity. I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I have been so ungrateful to thee for thy benefits, and have so often offended thee, my God and my chief good. Spare me, I beseech thee, by the death and love of Jesus Christ thy Son; and mercifully forgive me whatsoever sins I have this day, or heretofore, committed against thee, my neighbour, or myself.

(Here you may say the 50th Psalm, or any other act of penance.)

6. A Resolution of Amendment.

O Almighty God! I firmly resolve, here in thy presence, and before the whole company of heaven, to live more exactly in conformity to thy will, and to the rul

of thy commandments, hereafter. I resolve to keep a more strict watch over myself; to correct my faults and evil habits; to attend more diligently to my duties; and to avoid more carefully all sin, and all temptations and occasions of sin.

But without thy assistance, O Lord, there is no strength in man. Thou, therefore, who makest me to will that which is good, give me also the power to perform it. Give what thou commandest, and command what thou wilt, that I may live soberly, righteously, and piously in this world, and praise thee for ever with thy saints in the world to come.

Despise not, O Lord, my petitions, for thine infinite mercies' sake, but accept this my evening sacrifice, and

let it ascend as incense in thy sight.

And you, my holy patrons, pray for me. Thou first, O holy Virgin, mother of my God; thou too, my angel guardian; and ye, my chosen patrons, N. and N., and all ye heavenly citizens, angels, and saints, who praise God unceasingly, even while we sleep; take me under your protection, and commend me to God; that I may be protected from all the snares of our enemies, who are ever ready to hurt us while we sleep.

7. Intercession.

O Lord God, grant us an increase of faith, hope, and charity. Root out from among us all sin and vice, infidelity, dissensions, and erroneous opinions. Reprove the wandering; correct the unbelieving; shew to all in schism the light of thy grace, and restore them to the unity of thy Church. Preserve the pastors and rulers of thy Church, and all kings, princes, and rulers in the same, from all adversities, both of mind and body. Give to all sinners true repentance. Preserve the just in righteousness; establish all their thoughts, words and works for good. Confirm all who are dedicated to thy name in their holy resolutions. Have mercy upon all, O Lord. Give food to those who labour; comfort those who are oppressed with sorrow; heal the sick; supply the necessities of the needy; give a safe return to all

who travel, whether by land or sea; grant liberty to the captive; and consolation to all wemen labouring with child.

Forgive all who have sinned with me, or whom I have led into sin. Repay a hundred-fold with good all whom I have injured, offended, or scandalised. Direct in the way of salvation all my relations and friends [my parents, brothers, sisters, &c.]; all who pray for me, all who have commended themselves to my prayers, all who think kindly of me. Hear them, O Lord, when they cry unto thee in any tribulation. Bestow perpetual charify both on us and on our enemies. May all be filled with patience, kindness, and mercifulness. May envy, hatred, and all bitterness, be put away. Have mercy, also, O merciful Father, on all who sleep in Christ, especially on [my parents], and those with whom I have been familiarly acquainted. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

O eternal Father, I beseech thee, by the life and death of thy beloved Son, and by the bowels of thy mercies, grant that I may persevere unto the end in good works.

and die in thy grace.

O good Jesus, I beseech thee, by the love of the eternal Father, and by the last words with which thou didst commend thy Spirit to him upon the cross, receive my soul at my last hour.

O Holy Spirit, have mercy on me, and by thy holy inspiration strengthen me always, but especially at the

hour of my death.

O most holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on me now and at the hour of my death. Amen.

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ANOTHER FORM OF EVENING PRAYER.

In the name of the AFFather, &c. Blessed be the holy and undivided, &c. Our Father, &c. Hail, Mary, &c.

I believe, &c.

O eternal, infinite, and almighty God, whose glory the heaven of heavens cannot contain; look down on thy unworthy servafit, prostrate at the feet of thy mercy, and humbly confessing to thee, in the sight of all thy holy angels and blessed saints, the sinfulness and vanity of my life, and especially the transgressions of this day.

I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.

Here examine diligently what sins you may have fallen into this day, by thought, word, deed, or omission; and humbiy

confessing them, proceed thus:

Of these, and all my other sins, now or at any former time committed, I most sincerely repent, and am heartily sorry for every thought, word, and deed, by which I have displeased the eyes of thy glory, and provoked thy wrath and indignation against me; especially for my disobedience to so holy a law, and extreme ingratitude to so gracious and bountiful a God. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy great mercy; and according to the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my iniquity. Wash me yet more from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Create a clean heart in me. O God, and renew a right spirit within me. I beseach thee, O Lord, to hear me, and have mercy upon me. And I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, the blessed Michael the Archangel, the blessed John the Baptist. the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the saints. to pray to the Lord our God for me.

May Almighty God have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to life everlasting, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant me Apardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. Amen.

And now, O most gracious Benefactor, I praise and magnify thy holy name for thy great and innumerable benefits, proceeding purely from thy bounty, and intended wholly for my good; particularly for preserving me this day in the midst of so many dangers incident to my condition, and delivering me from the many calamities and miseries which are due to my sins.

Thou art my Creator, O my God, and kind Protector; thou art the ultimate end of my being, and supremerperfection of my nature. Under the shadow of thy wings is perpetual repose, and from the light of thy countenance flows eternal joy and felicity. To thee be glory and honour, to thee adoration and obedience, from all

thy creatures for ever. Amen.

And since thou hast ordained the day to labour, and the night to take our rest, as I praise thee for the blessings of the day, so I implore thy protection during this night. Let the eyes of thy providence watch over me, and thy holy angels pitch their tents about me; that being safely delivered from all dangers, and comfortably refreshed with moderate sleep, I may the better be enabled to perform the employments of my calling and state of life, and faithfully persevere in the discharge of the duties of thy service; and so daily advance to new victories over my passions, and to a more perfect observance of thy commandments: till, having passed my days in thy fear, I may end them in thy favour, and rejoice with thee for ever in thy heavenly kingdom, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and only Saviour; who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one food, world without end. Amen.

Prayer for the Dead.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission

of all their sins; that, through pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired: who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. V. May they rest in peace. R. Amen.

Prayer of St. Aloysius to the Blessed Virgin.

To thee, O holy Mary, my sovereign Mistress, to thy blessed trust and special charge, and to the bosom of thy mercy, this day and every day, and at the hour of my death, I commend myself, my soul and my body; to thee I commit all my hope and all my consolation, my distresses and my miseries, my life and the end thereof; that through thy most holy intercession, and through thy merits, all my works may be directed and disposed, according to thy will and the will of thy Son. Amen.

A Prayer to your Guardian Angel.

Angel of God, who art my guardian, enlighten, guard, direct, and govern me, who have been committed to thee by the supernal clemency.

The Blessing.

**God the Father, bless me; Jesus Christ, defend and keep me; the virtue of the Holy Ghost enlighten and sanctify me this night and for ever. Amen.

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Lord

Jesus, receive my soul.

When you go to Bed, say:

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ Acrucified, I lay me down to rest. Bless me, O Lord, defend and govern me; and, after this short and miserable pilgrimage, bring me to everlasting happiness. Amon.

A Prayer at settling to Sleep.

O Lord Jesus Christ, whose unwearied eye neither slumbers nor sleeps, but continually watches in defence

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of thy servants; take me and mine, I beseech thee, into thy protection, and grant, that whilst my body is asleep, my soul may be awake to thee, and that I may hereafter behold thee in that blessed and heavenly country, where thou, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, rulest eternally, and where all the angels, with the blessed saints, are citizens for ever. Amen.

The Trisagium.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts; the earth is full of thy glory. Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son, glory be to the Holy Ghost.

Act of resignation to the will of God.

May the most just, most high, and most amiable will of God be done, praised, and eternally exalted in all things. Amen.

A THIRD FORM OF EVENING PRAYER.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Place yourself in the presence of God, and humbly adore him.

O my God, I present myself before thee at the end of another day, to offer thee anew the hemage of my heart. I humbly adore thee, my Creator, my Redeemer, and my Judge! I believe in thee, because thou art faithful to thy promises; I love thee with my whole heart, because thou art infinitely worthy of being loved; and for thy sake I love my neighbour as myself.

Return thanks to God for all his Mercies.

Enable me, O my God, to return thee thanks as I ought for all thine inestimable blessings and favours. Thou hast thought of me, and loved me from all eternity; thou hast formed me ent of nothing; thou hast delivered up thy beloved Son to the ignominious death of the cross for my redemption; thou hast made me a member of thy holy Church; thou hast preserved me from falling into the abyse of eternal misery, when my sins had provoked thee to punish me; and thou hast graciously

continued to spare me, even though I have not ceased to offered thee. What return, O my God, can I make for thy innumerable blessings, and particularly for the favours of this day? O all ye saints and angels, unite with me in praising the God of mercies, who is so bountiful to so unworthy a creature.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe.

Ask of God light to discover the Sins committed this day.

O my God, sovereign judge of men, who desirest not the death of a sinner, but that he should be converted and saved, enlighten my mind, that I may know the sins which I have this day committed in thought, word, or deed, and give me the grace of true contrition.

Here examine your Conscience; then say:

O my God, I heartily repent, and am grieved that I have offended thee, because thou art infinitely good, and sin is infinitely displeasing to thee. I humbly ask of thee mercy and pardon, through the infinite merits of Jesus Christ. I resolve, by the assistance of thy grace, to do penance for my sins, and I will endeayour never more to offend thee.

I confess to Almighty God, &c.

Pray for the Church of Christ.

O God, hear my prayers on behalf of our holy father Pope Pius, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, I beseech thee, the whole Catholic Church; convert all heretics and unbelievers; have mercy upon this country, and restore it again to the ancient faith and communion of thy Church. Pour down thy blessings, O Lord, upon all my friends, relations, and acquaintances, and upon my enemies, if I have any. Help the poor and sick, and those who are in their last agony. O God of mercy and goodness, have compassion on the souls of the faithful in purgatory; put an end to their sufferings; and grant to all those for whom I am particularly bound to pray, eternal light, rest, and happiness. Amen.

Bless, O Lord, the repose I am about to take, that, my bodily strength being renewed, I may be the better enabled to serve thee?

O holy Virgin Mary, Mother of mercy, preserve me this night from all evil, whether of body or soul. Holy St. Joseph, St. Michael, and all ye saints and angels of Paradise, especially my guardian angel and my chosen patron, watch over me. I commend myself to your protection now and always. Amen.

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Family Prayers for Morning and Ebening.1

Morning Praper.

In the name of the A Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. \widehat{R} . Amen.

V. Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now

and for ever. R. Amen.

V. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful.

R. And kindle in them the fire of thy love.

V. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created. R. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

V. O God, come to our assistance.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the

fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again

Many of the previous prayers may also be adopted in families by ming the planul number.

from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

All this we firmly believe: we believe also all other doctrines which thy holy Church proposes to be believed, because thou, O God, who art the sovereign truth, hast promised to guide her into all truth, and hast revealed all these things unto her. In this faith and for this faith we are resolved, by thy grace, to live and die.

R. In this faith and for this faith, &c.

An Act of Hope.

Most merciful God, we hope, through the merits and death of Jesus Christ, that thou wilt grant us here thy grace and the forgiveness of our sins, and hereafter eternal life; because thou, O God, art almighty, and infinitely good unto us, and faithful in thy promises.

R. In thee, O Lord, have we hoped; let us not be

confounded everlastingly.

An Act of Charity.

We love thee, O God, with our whole soul, and above all things, because thou art infinitely worthy of all love. We love thee for thine own sake; and for thy sake also we love our neighbour as ourselves. Make us to love thee ever more and more.

R. We love thee, O God, with our whole soul, and above all things. Make us to love thee ever more and

more.

An Act of Contrition.

O Lord God, we grieve, from the bottom of our hearts, for the sins which we have committed against thee, because by them we have offended thee, whom we ought to love above all things; and we detest them, because they are displeasing to thee. We firmly resolve, by thy

suce, to sin no more; and henceforth to avoid all occa-

R. Wash us yet more from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sin.

An Act of Thanksgiving.

We give thee thanks, Almighty God, for the care and preservation of us in the night past; for having brought us in safety to the beginning of another day; and for all the manifold blessings which thou hast bestowed upon us. Grant that we may pass the remainder of our lives in worthy acts of praise and thanksgiving.

R. We give thee thanks, O Lord, for all thy mercies.

V. Unto thee, O Lord, have we lifted up our voice;
R. And early in the morning our prayer shall come before thee.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day,

R. To keep us without sim.

F. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord;

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, let thy powerful grace so conduct us through it, that we may not fall into any sin, but that all car thoughts, words, and works may be guided by the rules of thy heavenly justice, and tend to the observance of thy hely law, through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Hely Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O God, the Creator and Governor of all men, in whom we live, and move, and have our being, and without whom we have no power to do any thing of ourselves; we consecrate all our thoughts, words, deeds, and sufferings, of this day, to the glory of thy name, and of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Esce may be said the Litany of the Holy Name, or any other Many that may be selected from those given in this

book, p. 296; or at least the concluding prayer of the Litany of the Holy Name, *Lord Jesus Christ*, &c., should be said; after which:

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God! despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

R. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, O holy

Mother of God.

Holy Michael, the Archangel, R. Defend us from our enemies.

Saint Joseph, our patron saints, and all the saints of God,

R. Intercede for us.

O holy angel-guardians, to whose care we have been committed by the divine goodness, enlighten, preserve, and govern us this day; defend us from all spot of sin, and obtain for us all needful grace, that we may love God, and serve him here, until we come with you to love, praise, and enjoy him hereafter, in life everlasting. Amen.

May the Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life; and may the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

Chening Praper.

In the name of the A Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. R. Amen.

V. Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. R. Amen.

V. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful.

R. And kindle in them the fire of thy love.

V. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

R. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

V. O Lord, open thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

V. O God, come to our assistance.
R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Prevent, we beseech thee, O Lord, our actions, by the

inspirations, and further them with thy continual help, that every prayer and work of ours may always begin from thee, and through thee be likewise ended. Through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

Let us give thanks to God for all his mercies, especially for those which we have received this day. (A pause.)

We give thee thanks, Almighty God, for all thy mercies bestowed upon us, especially for those which we have received this day. (A short pause.)

V. What shall we render unto the Lord for all that he

hath rendered unto us?

- R. We will take the chalice of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.
 - V. We will pay our vows unto the Lord,

R. Before all his people.

- P. We will walk in the ways of the Lord,
- R. And serve him all the days of our life. F. Blessed be the name of the Lord.
- R. Henceforth and for ever. Amen.

Let us pray for light to see into our conscience.

V. Enlighten our eyes, O Lord.

R. That we sleep not in the sleep of sin.

V. Prove us, O God, and know our hearts. R. Examine us, and know our paths.

V. See if there be in us any evil way;

R. And lead us in the way everlasting. (A pause.)
We confess unto thee, Almighty God, that we have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through our fault, through our fault, through our own most grievous fault. We are heartily sorry for all our sins, especially those which we have committed this day (a pause); and we resolve, by thy grace, never more to sin against thee. Therefore we beseech thee, O Lord, to have mercy upon us, and to forgive us all our sins, and to bring us to life everlasting. And we beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, the blessed Michael the Archangel, the blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the saints, to pray to the Lord our God for us.

R. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, and forgive us our sins, and bring us to life everlasting.

V. Wash us yet more from our iniquity;

R. And cleanse us from our sin.

V. Create in us a clean heart, O God;

R. And renew a right spirit within us.

Here may be said any occasional Prayer, or the following:

Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, upon this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ hesitated not to be delivered into the hands of sinners, and to undergo the torment of the cross; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all right counsels, and all just works do come, give to thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts being given up to obey thy commandments, and the fear of our enemies being taken away, the times, by thy protection, may be peaceful, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth, &c.

For Peace.

Give peace, O Lord, in our days; for there is none other that fighteth for us but only thou, our God.

V. Let peace be in thy strength.

R. And plenteousness in thy towers.

Then may follow the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, or any other appropriate Litany for the day or season; after which,

Let us pray for the Dead.

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

Oh, let thine ears consider well the voice of my sup-

If thou, O Lord, shalt mark iniquities, Lord, who

shall abide it?

For with thee there is propitiation: and because of thy law, I have waited for thee, O Lord.

My soul hath waited on his word: my soul hath hoped

in the Lord.

From the morning-watch even until night, let Israel hope in the Lord.

For with the Lord there is mercy; and with him is

plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

V. May they rest in peace.

R. Amen.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of thy servants departed, the remission of all their sins, that through our pious supplications they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired; who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

V. Let us pray for our Sovereign Pontiff, N.

R. The Lord preserve him, and give him life, and make him blessed upon the earth, and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies.

V. Let us pray for our benefactors.

R. Vouchsafe, O Lord, for thy name's sake, to reward with eternal life all them that do us good.

V. Let us pray for our absent brethren.

R. Save thy servants, who hope in thee, O my God.

V. Send them help from thy holy place,

R. And defend them out of Sion.

• F. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto thee.

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We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God! despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

R. Despise not our petitions in our necessities, O holy

Mother of God.

Holy Michael, the Archangel,

R. Defend us from our enemies.

Saint Joseph, our patron saints, and all the saints of God.

R. Intercede for us.

O holy angel-guardians, to whose care we have been committed by the divine goodness, defend us this night from all evil.

R. Amen.

The Compline hymn, or any other, may be here said or

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V. Preserve us as the apple of thine eye.

R. And protect us under the shadow of thy wings.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this night,

R. To keep us without sin.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us. or wasty base sell

V. Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord. en to liber out on ma

R. As we have hoped in thee.

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

1. And let our cry come unto thee.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy. Let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace, and may thy blessing be always upon us; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Lord bless us, and keep us, and deliver us from all evil; and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

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In the name of the A Father, and of the Son, and of e Holy Ghost. Amen. the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and rever. Amen.

for ever. Amen. Our Father, &c. desaglash ma has ,boog vistinhai ma

Our Father, &c.
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Come, Holy Ghost, &c. Let us place ourselves in the presence of God, and give him thanks for all the benefits which we have received from him, particularly this day, of os part to god vidaged I

O my God, I firmly believe that thou art here present, and perfectly seest me, and that thou observest all my actions, all my thoughts, and the most secret motions of my heart. Thou watchest over me with an incomparable love, every moment bestowing favours, and preserving me from evil. Blessed be thy holy name; and may all creatures bless thy goodness for the benefits which I have ever received from thee, and particularly this day. May the saints and angels supply my defect in rendering thee due thanks. Never permit me to be so base and wicked as to repay thy bounties with ingratitude, and thy blessings with offences and injuries.

Let us ask of our Lord Jesus Christ grace to discover the sins which we have committed this day; and beg of him a true sorrow for them, and a sincere repentance.

O my Lord Jesus Christ, Judge of the living and the dead, before whom I must appear one day to give an exact account of my whole life; enlighten me, I beseech thee, and give me an humble and contrite heart, that I may see wherein I have offended thine infinite Ma-lesty; and judge myself now with such a just severity, that then thou mayest judge me with mercy and cle-

camine what sins we have committed this day, ought, word, deed, or omission.

(If nothing occur to your mind wherein you have offended, renew your sorrow for the sins of your past life.)

Let us conceive a great sorrow for having offended God.

O my God, I detest these and all other sins which I have committed against thy divine Majesty. I am extremely sorry that I have offended thee, because thou art infinitely good, and sin displeaseth thee. I love thee with my whole heart; and firmly purpose, by the help of thy grace, never more to offend thee. I resolve to avoid the occasions of sin; I will confess my sins, and will endeavour to make satisfaction for them. Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy, and pardon me, a wretched sinner. In the name of thy beloved Son Jesus, I humbly beg of thee so to wash me with his precious blood, that my sins may be entirely remitted.

Let us endeavour, as much as possible, to put ourselves in the dispositions in which we desire to be found at the hour of death.

O my God, I accept of death as a homage and adoration which I owe to thy divine Majesty, and as a punishment justly due to my sins, in union with the death of my dear Redeemer, and as the only means of coming to thee, my beginning and last end.

I firmly believe all the sacred truths which the Catholic Chiefel, believeth and teacheth, because thou hast revealed them. And by the assistance of thy holy grace, I am resolved to live and die in the communion of this s have committed this sur rolling

Relying upon thy goodness; power, and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, and life everlasting, brough the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ, my only Redeemer, and by the intercession of his blessed Mother.

and all the saints.

I love thee with all my heart and soul, and desire to love thee as the blessed do in heaven. I adore all the designs of thy divine Providence, resigning accelf en-

tirely to the will.

I also love my neighbour for thy sal myself. I sincerely forgive all who have and osk pardon of all whom I have inared.

I renounce the devil, with all his works; the world. with all its pomps; the flesh, with all its temptations.

I desire to be dissolved, and to be with Christ. Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit, and to cheer out all

R. Lord Jesus, receive my soul.

May the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and all the saints, pray for us to our Lord, that we may be preserved this night from sin and all evils. Amen. 200 area would

Blessed St. Michael, defend us in the day of battle, that we may not be lost at the dreadful judgment.

0 my good Angel, whom God, by his divine mercy, nath appointed to be my guardian, enlighten and protect me, direct and govern me this night. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy on us, and forgive us

our sins, and bring us to life everlasting. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of all our sins. Amen.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this night,

R. To keep us without sin.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

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V. Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord.

R. As we have hoped in thee. F. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray,

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy. Let the hoty ingels dwell herein, to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be always upon us, through our Lord, &c.

Save us, O Lord, when we are awake; and keep us while we sleep; that we may watch with Christ, and rest

Evening Hymns, see p. 35.

Short Forms for those who have little time.

MORNING.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O my God, I believe that thou art here present; I adore

thee, and I love thee with all my heart.

Thou hast created me out of nothing, redeemed me by the death of thy Son, sanctified me by the grace of thy Holy Spirit; thou hast preserved me the night past, and given me this present day; I humbly thank thee for these and all other benefits which thou hast bestowed on me.

I offer to thee all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings; and I beseech thee to give me thy grace that I may not offend thee this day, but that I may do thy holy will in

all things.

Our Father. Hail, Mary. I believe in God.

An Act of Faith.

I firmly believe there is one God; and that in this one God there are three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost: that the Son took to himself the nature of man, from the Virgin Mary's womb, by the power of the Holy Ghost; and that in this our human nature he was crucified and died for us; that afterwards he rose again and ascended into heaven, from thence he shall come to repay the just everlasting glory, and the wicked everlasting punishment; moreover I believe whatsoever else the Catholic Church proposes to be believed, and this because God, who is the sovereign truth, who can neither deceive nor be deceived, has revealed all these things to this his Church.

An Act of Hope.

O my God, relying on thy almighty power and thy infinite mercy and goodness, and because thou art faithful to thy promises, I trust in thee that thou wilt grant me forgiveness of my sins, through the merits of Jesus Christ thy Son; and that thou wilt give me the assistance of thy grace, with which I may labour to continue to the end in the diligent exercise of all good works, and may deserve to obtain the glory which thou hast promised in heaven.

An Act of Charity.

O Lord, my God, I love thee with my whole heart; and above all things because thou, O God, art the sovereign good, and for thy own infinite perfections art most worthy of all love; and for thy sake, I also love my neighbour as myself.

An Act of Contrition.

0 my God, who art infinitely good, and always hatest sin, I beg pardon from my heart for all my offences against thee; I detest them all and am heartily sorry for them, because they offend thy infinite goodness, and I firmly resolve by the help of thy grace never more to offend thee, and carefully to swoid the occasions of sin.

Holy Mary, be a mother to me.

0 my good Angel, guard me in all my ways.

All ye Angels and Saints of God, pray for me.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting; and may the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

EVENING.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

0 my God, I believe that thou art here present; I adore

thee, and I love thee with all my heart.

I return thee thanks for all the benefits which I have ever received from thee, and particularly this day. Give me light, O my God, to see what sins I have committed this day, and grant me grace to be truly sorry for them.

Here examine whether you have offended God during the day, by any

bought, word, deed, or by the neglect of any duty.

0 my God, who art infinitely good, and always hatest sin, I beg pardon from my heart for all my offences against thee. I detest them all and am heartily sorry for them, because they offend thy infinite goodness, and I firmly resolve by the help of thy grace never more to offend thee, and carefully to avoid the occasions of sinemos maiseign material

Our Father. Hail, Mary, I believe in God.

I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore, I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin; the blessed Michael the Archangel, the blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit: Lord Jesus, protect (18 Thoughtone

receive my soul.

Holy Mary, be a mother to me.

O my good Angel, watch over me this night. All ye Angels and Saints of God, pray for me.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and ring us to life everlasting; and may the souls of the faith al, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Pater noster.

Parma noster, qui es in cules. Sanctificetur nomen tunn. Adveniat regnum tuum. Fiat voluntas tun, sicut in cola et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie. Et dimitte nobis debits nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem. Sed libera nos a malo. Amen, Our Rather, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Credo in Beum.

CREDO in Deum, Patremomnipotentem, Creatorem celi et terræ. Et in Jesum Christum, Filium ejus unicum, Dominum mostrum ; qui conceptus est de Spiritu Sancto, natus ex Maris Virgine, passus sub Pontio Fiiato, crucifixus, mortuus, et sepultus: descendit ad inferos; tertia die resurrexit a mortuis; ascendit ad oœlos, sedet ad dexteram Dei Patris omnipotents; inde venturus est judicare vivos et mortuos. Credo in Spiritum Sanctum, sanctam Ecclesiam Catholicam, Sanctorum communionem, remissionem peccatorum, carnis resurrectionem, vitam æternam. Amen.

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion Saints, the forgiveness of sine. the resurrection of the body. and the life everlasting. Amen.

Abe Maria.

Ave, Maria, gratia plena; Dominas tecum: benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nume et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

HAIL, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy wormb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

Gloría Batrí.

GLOBIA PatrietFilio et Spiritmi Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper et in secula seculorum. Amen.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Balbe Megina.

SALVE, Regina, Mater misericordise ;

Vita, dulcedo, et spes nestra,

Ad te elamamus, exules filii

Ad te suspiramus, gementes

et flentes in hac lacrymarum valle. Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,

Illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte;

Et JESUM, benedictum fructum ventris tui,

Nobis post hoc exilium os-

tende, O clemens, O pia, O dulcis

Virgo Maria.
V. Ora pro nobis, sancta

Dei Genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

HAIL, holy Queen, Mother of

Our life, our sweetness, and our hope, all hail.

To thee we cry, poor banished

sons of Eve;
To thee we sigh, weeping and mourning in this vale of

Therefore, O our Advocate,

Turn thou on us those merciful eyes of thine;

And after this our exile, show

The blessed fruit of thy womb, JESUS,

O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Memorare.

MEMBRARE, O plissims Virgo Maria, non esse auditum a seculo, quemquam ad tua currentem præsidia, tua implorantem auxilia, tua petentem suffragia, esse derelictum. Ego, tali animatus confidentia, ad te, Virgo virginum, Mater, curro. Ad te venio; coram te gemens peccator assisto. Noli, Mater Verbi, verba mea despiere, sed audi propitia et tandi. Amen.

Bereyou may make your request.

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.* O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Occasional Prayers.

For the Holy Catholic Church.

DEFEND, O Lord, thy servants, we beseech thee, from all dangers both of body and soul; and, by the intercession of the blessed and glorious Virgin Mary, Mother of God, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed N., and of all thy saints, mercifully grant us the blessings of peace and safety; that all adversities and errors being removed, thy Church may freely and securely serve thee; through our Lord, &c.

For all Degrees of Men in the Church.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is sanctified and governed; mercifully hear our humble supplications for all degrees and orders therein; that by the gift of thy grace all in their several stations may faithfully serve thee; through, &c.

For the Pope.

O God, the Pastor and Governor of all the faithful, mercifully look upon thy servant N., whom thou hast been pleased to appoint the pastor of thy Church; grant, we beseech thee, that both by word and example he may edify those over whom he is set; and, together with the flock committed to his care, may attain everlasting life; through, &c.

For the King or Queen.

We beseech thee, O almighty God, that thy servant Victoria our Queen, who, by thy mercy, has received the government of this kingdom, may receive also an increase of all virtues; wherewith being adorned, she may be able both to avoid the chormity of sin [vanquish her enemies], and being made acceptable in thy sight,

may come unto thee, who art the way, the truth, and the life; through, &c.

Another.

O God, by whom kings reign, and the princes of the earth exercise their power; O God, who art the strength and support of those kingdoms that serve thee; mercifully hear our prayers, and defend thy servant Victoria our Queen from all dangers; and grant that her safety may conduce to the peace and welfare of thy people; through, &c.

For Bishops, and the People committed to them.

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone doest great marvels, send down upon thy servants, the Bishops of thy Church [especially N. our Bishop], and all congregations committed unto them, the spirit of thy saving grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing; through, &c.

For a Congregation or Family.

Defend, we beseech thee, O Lord, by the intercession of the blessed Mary, ever Virgin, this thy family from all adversity; and mercifully protect us, now prostrate before thee with our whole hearts, from all the snares of our enemies; through, &c.

For the Preservation of Concord in a Congregation.

O God, who art the giver of peace and lover of charity, grant to thy servants true concord and union with thy hely will, that we may be delivered from all temptations which assault us; through, &c.

Against the Persecutors of the Church.

Hear the prayers of thy Church, O Lord, we beseech thee, and turn away thine anger from us; that all adversities and errors being done away, we may freely and securely serve thee; through, &c.

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In any Necessity,

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, give ear to the fervent prayers of thy Church; that what we ask in faith we may effectually obtain; through, &c.

In any Tribulation.

O almighty God, despise not thy people who cry unto thee in their affliction; but for the glory of thy name, turn away thine anger, and help us in our tribulations; through, &c.

In Time of Famine or Pestilence.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, an answer to our hearty supplications; and, thy wrath being appeased, turn away from us this famine (or pestilence); that the hearts of men may know that these scourges proceed from thine anger, and cease by thy mercy; through, &c.

For Forgiveness of Sins.

O God, who rejectest none that come unto thee, but in pity art appeased even with the greatest sinners who repent; mercifully regard our prayers in our humiliation, and lighten our hearts; that we may be able to fulfil thy commandments; through, &c.

For the Tempted and Afflicted.

O God, who justifiest the ungodly that repent, and wouldst not the death of a sinner; we humbly entreat thy Majesty to protect thy servants with thy heavenly assistance, who trust in thy mercy, and preserve them by thy continual protection; that they may constantly serve thee, and by no temptation be separated from thee; through, &c.

A Prayer for Perseverance in Goodness.

Grant, O my Lord Jesus Christ, that I may persevere in good purposes, and in thy holy service, to my death; and that I may this day perfectly begin, for all I have hitherto done is nothing. Amen.

For Heretics and Schismatics.

O almighty and everlasting God, who hast compassion on all, and wouldst not that any should perish; faworrably look down upon all those who are seduced by the deceit of Satan; that all heretical implety being removed, the hearts of such as err may repent, and return to the unity of thy truth; through, &c.

For Jews.

O almighty and everlasting God, who repellest not from thy mercy even the perfidious Jews; hear the prayer which we offer for the blindness of that people; that the light of thy truth, Christ our Lord, being known to them, they may be delivered from their darkness; through, &c.

For Pagans.

O almighty and everlasting God, who desirest not the death but the life of sinners; mercifully accept our prayers, and, delivering pagans from the worship of idols, unite them to thy Church, to the praise and bonour of thy glorious name; through, &c.

For our Friends.

O God, who, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, hast poured into the hearts of thy faithful the gifts of charity; grant to thy servants, for whom we implore thy mercy, health both of body and soul; that they may love thee with all their strength, and cheerfully perform those things which are pleasing unto thee; through, &c.

A short Recommendation to God.

Into the hands of thy unspeakable mercy, O Lord, I commend my soul and body; my senses, my words, my thoughts, and all my actions, with all the necessities of my body and soul; my going forth and coming in; my fath and conversation; the course and end of my life; the day and hour of my death; my rest and resurrection with the saints and elect. Amen.

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For the Sick.

V. Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in thee.

R. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort them from

thy holy place.

O almighty and everlasting God, the eternal salvation of them that believe in thee, hear us in behalf of thy servants who are sick; for whom we humbly crave the help of thy mercy; that, their health being restored to them, they may render thanks to thee in thy Church; through, &c.

For the Dead.

O almighty and eternal God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all, whom thou foreknowest shall be thine by faith and good works; we humbly beseech thee, that they for whom we have determined to offer up our prayers, whether this present world still detain them in the flesh, or the world to come hath already received them out of their bodies, may, by the elemency of the goodness (all thy saints interceding for them), obtain pardon and full remission of their sins; through our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer before Study or Instructions.

O incomprehensible Creator, the true Fountain of light, and only Author of all knowledge; vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to enlighten our understandings, and to remove from us all darkness of sin and ignorance. [Thou, who makest eloquent the tongues of those that want utterance, direct our tongues, and pour on our lips the grace of thy blessing.] Give us a disigent and obedient spirit, quickness of apprehension, capacity of retaining, and the powerful assistance of thy holy grace; that what we hear or learn, we may apply to thy honour and the eternal salvation of our ewn souls, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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For a Husband or Wife.

O God, who hast ordained and sanctified the holy estate of matrimony, for replenishing the earth, for mutual consolation, and as a type of the union of Christ and his Church; give me grace both thankfully to accept its blessings, and carefully to fulfil its duties. I beseech thee continually to bless our union, and to enable us to live together in peace and love, in the faithful discharge of all our duties to thee, and to each other. Deliver us from every evil temper, from every heedless action, which may in any way weaken or embitter the sacredness of that tie by which thou hast bound us together, and which can never be severed. Make me faithful and affectionate, studious to please, and ready to deny my own will and inclination in all things. Let not the trials and crosses of this life induce me to murmur, nor any earthly blessings cause me to forget thee, the Author and Giver of all; but by patience and meekness, by prayer and thankfulness, may all things be sanctified unto me, and fit me for eternal union with thee, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Prayer for Parents, for themselves and for their Children.

O Father of mankind, who hast given unto me these my children, and committed them to my charge, to bring them up for thee, and to prepare them for everlasting life; assist me with thy heavenly grace, that I may be able to fulfil this most sacred duty and stewardship. Teach me both what to give, and what to withhold; when to reprove, and when to forbear: make me to be gentle, yet firm; considerate and watchful; and deliver me equally from the weakness of indulgence, and excess of severity; and grant that, both by word and example, I may be careful to lead them in the ways of wisdom and true piety; so that at last I may, with them, be admitted to the unspeakable joys of our true home in heaven, in the unity of the blessed angels and saints, where thou, O Father, with Jesus, thy only-begotten Son,

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in the unity of the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest one God, for ever and ever,

O Heavenly Father, I commend my children unto thee. Be thou their God and Father; and mercifully supply whatever is wanting in me, through frailty or negligence. Strengthen them to overcome the corruptions of the world, to resist the solicitations of evil, whether from within or without; and deliver them from the secret sneres of the enemy. Pour thy grace into their hearts, and confirm and multiply in them the gifts of thy Holy Spirit, that they may daily grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ; and so faithfully serving thee here, may come to rejoice before thee hereafter; through the merits of the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest. Amen.

For a Child.

O Almighty God, who hast given unto me my father and mother, and made them to be an smage of thy authority, and love, and tender watchfulness, and hast commanded me to love, and honour, and obey them in all things; give me grace cheerfully and with my whole heart to keep this thy law. Help me to love them fervently, to honour them truly, to yield a ready obedience to all their commands, to comply with all their wishes, to study their happiness in every thing, and to bear with patience and humility all their rebukes. Deliver me, O God, from pride, rebellion, and wilfulness, from passion and stubbornness, from sloth and carelessness. Make me diligent in all my duties and studies, and patient in all my trials; that so living, I may deserve to be thy child, who art our Father in heaven, through Jesus Christ, thine only Son our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for choosing a State of Life.

O Lord, I beseech thee to grant me thy divine light, that I may know the designs of thy providence concerning me, and that, filled with a sincere desire for my soul's salvation, I may say, with the young man in the Gospel: "What must I do to be saved?" All states of life are before me; but, still undecided what to do, I await thy commands, I offer myself to thee without restriction,

without reserve, with a most perfect submission.

Far be it from me, O Lord, to oppose the order of thy wisdom, and, unfaithful to the inspiration of thy grace, to strive to subject the will of the Creator to the caprice of the creature. It is not for the servant to choose the way in which he will serve his master: do thou lay upon me what commands thou pleasest. "My lot is in thine hands." I make no exception, lest perchance that which I except he that which thou willest, and because I am so short-sighted to discover in the future the different . obstacles I shall meet with, if, without thy guidance, I make myself the arbiter of my own conduct. Speak, Lord, to my soul; speak to me as thou didst to the youthful Samuel: "Speak to me, Lord; for thy servant heareth." I cast myself at thy feet, and I am ready, if it be thy will, to sacrifice myself as a victim to thee for the remainder of my days, in such wise as thou shalt deem most worthy of thy greatness.

O my God, overrule the affections of my parents, and guide their projects according to the counsels of thine eternal wisdom. Lord, I desire to consult thee as the oracle of truth, sincerely and without preference; grant that they also may submit themselves to its decrees, faith-

fully and without reserve.

A Prayer in Times of threatened Calamity.

O Jesus Christ, we call upon thee, hely immortal God. Have mercy upon us and upon all men. Purify us by thy holy blood, forgive us by thy holy blood, save us by thy holy blood, now and for ever. Amen.

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For our Enemies.

(St. Gertrude.)

O Lord Jesus, in union with that love and that surpassing sweetness with which, amidst the unutterable anguish and sorrows of thy Passion, thou didst pray for those who crucified thee, saying, "Tather, forgive them," I beseech thee with all the love of my heart that thou wouldst now vouchsafe to forgive all who have ever or in any way offended against me. Amen.

A Prayer in Sickness or Affliction.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I receive this sickness [or, this affliction], with which thou art pleased to visit me, as coming from thy fatherly hand. It is thy will, and therefore I submit;—"not my will, but thine be done." May it be to the honour of thy holy name, and for the good of my soul. I here offer myself with an entire submission to all thine appointments; to suffer whatever thou pleasest, as long as thou pleasest, and in what manner thou pleasest; for I am a creature, O Lord, who has often and most ungratefully offended thee, and whom thou mightet justly have visited with thy severest punishments. Oh, let thy justice be tempered with mercy, and let thy heavenly grace come to my assistance to support me under this affliction! Confirm my soul with strength from above, that I may bear with true Christian patience all the uneasiness, pains, disquiets, and troubles under which I labour; preserve me from all temptations and murmuring thoughts, that in this time of affliction I may in no way offend thee; and grant that this and all other earthly trials may be the means of preparing my soul for its passage into eternity, that, being purified from all my sins, I may believe in thee, hope in thee, love thee above all things, and finally, through thy infinite merits, be admitted into the company of the blessed in heaven, there to praise thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Daily Intention. (B. Leonard.)

O my eternal God, behold me now prostrate before thy immense majesty in humblest adoration. I offer thee all my thoughts, words, and actions of this day; and I intend to deal for thy love, for thy glory, to fulfil thy divine will, to serve thee, to praise thee, and to bless thee; to be enlight-

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ened in the mysteries of the holy faith, to secure my salvation, and to hope in thy mercy; to satisfy thy divine justice for my sins, so many and most grievous; to give suffrage to the holy souls in Purgatory, and to obtain the grace of a true conversion for all sinners; in a word, I intend to do this day every thing in union with those most pure intentions which Jesus and Mary had in life, and all the Saints who are in heaven, and all the just who are upon earth; and I should wish to be able to subscribe with my own blood this my intention, and to repeat it as many times every moment as there will be moments in eternity. Accept, O my beloved God, this my good desire; give me thy holy benediction, with an efficacious grace not to commit mortal sin throughout the whole course of my life, but particularly on this day, on which I desire, and intend to gain, all the Indulgences which I can gain, and to assist at all the Masses which shall be celebrated to-day throughout the whole world, applying them all in suffrage for the holy souls in Purgatory, that they may be freed from those pains. Amen.

Covenant with God.

(St. Gertrude.)

O Almighty God, I sanctify, dedicate, and consecrate to thee every beating of my heart, and every pulsation of my blood; and I desire to make this compact with thee, that their every beating shall say to thee: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; and I beseech thee to impute this meaning to them, so that they may be before thy divine Majesty as the unceasing echo of that heavenly canticle, which seraphim sing without ceasing unto thee. Amen, amen.

A more extended Covenant, to be renewed every week.

(From the same.)

O Lord God, my Creator, all my desire is before thee, and my groaning is not hidden from thee; but inasmuch as the necessities of this life prevent the constant application of my mind to thy praise, I make with thee this covenant, earnestly desiring that it may remain in force throughout this week.

Whenever I look up towards heaven, I desire and intend to rejoice with thee in thine infinite perfections; that thou art what thou art, supremely strong and wise and loving and fust.

As often as I open or close my eyes, I desire and intend to approve and concur in all the holy actions which thine only-becotten Son, and all the saints in heaven and just on earth.

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have ever done, or shall ever hereafter do, to thy glory, and desire to be held a partaker in them all.

As often as I draw my breath, I offer to thee the Life and Passion and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the merits and sufferings of all the saints, to thine eternal glory, for the welfare and peace of all the whole world, and in satisfaction for the sins of all men.

Whenever I sigh, I intend to detest and abhor every sin, as well my own sins as those which have ever been committed from the beginning of the world against the honour of thy Name. Would that the slight and worthless offering of my

blood might be accepted in satisfaction for them !

Lastly, as often as I move my hand or my foot, so often do I cast myself with entire resignation upon thy most hely will, desiring that thou wouldst dispose of me in time and in eter-

nity, according to thine adorable good pleasure.

And, lest this fivefold covenant should be in any way made void, I seal it with the seals of thy five most Sacred Wounds, earnestly desiring that it may have its full force with thee, even though in any one of these actions it be not actually present to my mind.

For a Happy Death.

(To be said before a crucifix.)

O sweet Lord Jesus Christ, by that sad bitterness of death thou didst endure for me upon the cross, and chiefly in the hour when thy most glorious soul did make its egress from thy ever-blessed body, I beseech thee, Lord, have pity on my soul, now and at the moment of its departure hence, and take it to thee unto eternal life. Amen.

Prayer in a Burial-ground.

Hail, all ye faithful souls of Christ; may he give you rest, who is himself the one true Rest. May Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, who for our salvation and for that of all mankind was born of the Immaculate Virgin, and redeemed you with his precious Blood, bless you, release you from your pains, raise you up in the day of judgment, and place you with his holy angels.

Prayer for all Virtues needful to a Christian Man.

(St. Thomas Aquinas.)

O merciful God, grant that I may eagerly desire, carefully search out, truthfully acknowledge, and ever perfectly fulfil all

things which are pleasing unto thee. Order all my state for the glory and honour of thy Name alone; and grant me to know what thou dost require me to do, and give me to do it as is fitting. and profitable to my salvation. Grant that I may not fail or swerve either in prosperity or in adversity; that I be not lifted up by the one, nor cast down by the other. Let me joy in nothing but what leads to thee, nor grieve for any thing but what leads away from thee; let me neither seek to please, nor fear to displease, any but thee alone. May all transitory things grow vile in my eyes, O Lord, and may all that is thine be dear to me for thy sake, and thou, O my God, dear above them all. May all joy be irksome to me that is without thee. nor may I desire any thing that is apart from thee. May all labour and toil delight me which is for thee, and all rest be weariness which is not in thee. Grant me, O Lord, continually to lift up my heart towards thee, and to bring sorrowfully to my mind my many shortcomings, with full purpose of amendment. Make me, O Lord, obedient without demur, poor without repining, chaste without stain, patient without murmur, humble without pretence, joyous without frivolity. fearful without abjectness, truthful without disguise, given to good works without presumption, faithful to rebuke my neighbour without arrogance, and ever careful to edify him both by word and example without pretension. Give me, O Lord God, an ever-watchful heart, which no subtle specula-tion may lure from thee; a noble heart, which no unworthy affection can draw downwards to the earth; an upright heart, which no insincere intention can warp aside; an unconquerable heart, which no tribulation can crush or quell; a free heart, which no perverted or impetuous affection can claim for its own. Bestow on me, O Lord, my God, understanding to know thee, diligence to seek thee, wisdom to find thee, a life and conversation which may please thee, perseverance in waiting patiently for thee, and a hope which may embrace thee at the last. Grant me to be pierced with compunction by thy sorrows through true repentance, to improve all thy gifts and benefits during this my pilgrimage through thy grace, and so at length to enter into thy full and consummate joy in thy glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth, &c.

An Universal Prayer for all things necessary to salvation.

O my God, I believe in thee; do thou strengthen my faith. All my hopes are in thee; do thou secure them. I love thee; teach me to love thee daily more and more. I am sorry that

I have offended thee; do thou increase my sorrow.

I adore thee as my first beginning; I aspire after thee as my last end. I give thee thanks as my constant benefactor: I call upon thee as my sovereign protector.

Vouchsafe, O my God, to conduct me by thy wisdom. to restrain me by thy justice, to comfort me by thy mercy, to

defend me by thy power.

To thee I desire to consecrate all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings; that Henceforward I may think only of thee, speak of thee, refer all my actions to thy greater glory, and suffer willingly whatever thou shalt appoint.

Lord. I desire that in all things thy will may be done, because it is thy will, and in the manner that thou willest.

I beg of thee to enlighten my understanding, to inflame my

will, to purify my body, and to sanctify my soul.

Give me strength, O my God, to expiate my offences, to overcome my temptations to subdue my passions, and to

acquire the virtues proper for my state.

Fill my heart with tender affection for thy goodness, hatred of my faults, love of my neighbour, and contempt of the world.

Let me always remember to be submissive to my superiors. condescending to my inferiors, faithful to my friends, and charitable to my enemies.

Assist me to overcome sensuality by mortification, avarice by alms-deeds, anger by meekness, and tepidity by devotion.

O my God, make me prudent in my undertakings, courageous in dangers, patient in affliction, and humble in prosperity.

Grant that I may be ever attentive at my prayers, temperate at my meals, diligent in my employments, and constant in my resolutions.

Let my conscience be ever upright and pure, my exterior modest, my conversation edifying, and my comportment re-

gular.

Assist me, that I may continually labour to overcome nature, to correspond with thy grace, to keep thy commandments, and to work out my salvation.

Discover to me, O my God, the nothingness of this world. the greatness of heaven, the shortness of time, and the length

of eternity.

Grant that I may prepare for death; that I may fear thy judgments, escape hell, and in the end obtain heaven; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

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The Holy Mass.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HEARING MASS.

SECTION I.

WHAT THE MASS IS, AND FOR WHAT END IT IS TO BE OFFERED.

FROM the beginning of the world the servants of God were always accustomed to offer sacrifice to Him, by way of acknowledging his sovereignty, and paying their homage to Him; and in all ancient religions, true or false, this worship of sacrifice was always looked upon as a most solemn act of religion, due to the Deity which was worshipped.

In the law of nature, and in the law of Moses, there was a great variety of sacrifices; some bloody, in which the victim was slain; others unbloody. Some were called holocausts, or whole burnt-offerings, in which the whole host or victim was consumed in fire upon God's altar, for his honour and glory; others were called sin-offerings, which were offered for sins; others were offerings of thanksgivings; others were pacific or peace-offerings, which were offered for obtaining favours of God,—the word 'peace' in the Scripture style signifying all manner

of good and prosperity.

All these sacrifices of the law of nature, and of the law of Moses, were of themselves but weak and needy elements, and only figures of a sacrifice to come, viz. that of Jesus Christ: in consideration of which sacrifice only, and of the faith of the offerers, by which they believed in the Redeemer to come, those ancient sacrifices were then accepted by the divine Majesty, when they were accompanied with the inward sacrifice of the heart: but not for any intrinsic worth or dignity of the things offered; for no other blood but the blood of Christ could wash away sins. Hence, in the 39th Psalm,—spoken in the person of Christ to his Father,—we read: "Sacrifice and oblation Thou didst not desire, but a body

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Thou hast prepared for me" (so St. Paul reads it, Heb. x. 5). "Burnt-offering and sin-offering Thou didst not require; then said I, Behold, I come." All which gives us to understand, that by reason of the insufficiency of the sacrifices of the old law, Christ himself would come to be our sacrifice, and would offer up his own body and blood for us.

Accordingly ear Saviour Jesus Christ, at the time appointed by his Father, having taken flesh for us, was pleased to offer himself a sacrifice for us, dying upon the cross for the sins of the whole world. By this one offering we were completely redeemed, inasmuch as our ransom was paid, and all mercy, grace, and salvation, were purchased for us. Neither can there now be any need of his dying any more, or purchasing any other graces for us than those for which He has already

paid the price of his blood.

Nevertheless, for the daily application of this one eternal redemption to our souls, and that the mercy, grace, and salvation which He has purchased for us may be actually communicated to us; He not only continually appears in our behalf in the sanctuary of heaven, there representing and offering to his Father his death and passion for us; but has also instituted the blessed Eucharist, the night before his passion, in which He has bequeathed us his body and blood, under the sacramental veils, not only to be received by us as a sacrament, for the food and nourishment of our souls, but also to be offered and presented by his ministers to his Father (mystically broken and shed) as a sacrifice: not by way of a new death, but by way of a standing memorial of his death; a daily celebrating and representing his death to God, and an applying to our souls the fruits of it.

This eucharistic sacrifice of the body and blood of Christ, daily offered under the forms of bread and wine, in remembrance of his passion, is what we call the Mass. This is the solemn liturgy of the Catholic Church. This is that pure offering which is made to God in every place among the Gentiles, according to the prophecy of Malachi (i. 10, 11). By this Christ is a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech (Psal. cix.), whose sacrifice was bread and

wine (Gen. xv.).

This sacrifice of the Mass is the same in substance with that which Christ offered for us upon the cross; because both the victim offered, and the priest, or principal offerer, is the same Jesus Christ. The difference is only in the manner of

the offering; because upon the cross our Saviour offered himself in such a manner, as really to shed his blood, and die for us; whereas now He does not really shed his blood, nor die sny more. And therefore this is called an unbloody sacrifice; and that of the cross a bloody sacrifice.

By reason of this near alliance which this sacrifice of the Mass has with the sacrifice of the cross, it completely answers all the different ends of sacrifice, and that in a manner infinitely more perfect than any of the ancient sacrifices. Christ is here both priest and victim, representing in person, and

offering up his death and passion to his Father.

This sacrifice of the Mass is offered up to God, in the Catholic Church, first, as a daily remembrance of the passion of Christ: "Do this for a commemoration of me" (S. Luke xii.). Secondly, as a most solemn worship of the divine Majesty. Thirdly, as a most acceptable thanksgiving to God; from whence it has the name of Eucharist. Fourthly, as a most powerful means to move God to shew mercy to us is the forgiveness of our sins; for which reason we call it propitiatory. And, lastly, as a most effectual way to obtain of God all that we want, coming to Him, as we here do, with Christ and through Christ.

For these ends, both priest and people ought to offer up the sacrifice of the Mass: the priest, as Christ's minister, and in his person; and the people, by the hands of the priest; and both the one and the other, by the hands of the great High Priest Jesus Christ. And with this offering of Christ's, both the one and the other ought to make a total offering of themselves also by his hands, and in union with him.

SECTION II.

ON THE MANNER OF HEARING OR ASSISTING AT MASS.

THERE are various methods of profitably hearing or assisting at Mass. One method is, to follow the Priest in the Ordinary of the Mass as contained in the Missal; joining with him, as far as the laity may, in the very words of the service, and saiting our intention with him in what he does as Priest for the people. To enable all persons, even those who do not understand Latin, to follow the service, translations of the Ordinary and Canon of the Mass have been made into almost

all languages, and circulated by authority. Another method of assisting at Mass is to accompany the Priest through the different parts of the service with appropriate devotions, similar to those he is using, and directed to the same general ends, uniting our intention with his, but not using or not confining ourselves to the words of the Ordinary. A form of devotion for this purpose, compiled from the most common and approved methods, is given in the present volume. A third method is to apply the service to the purpose of meditation on the life or passion of our Lord, or on any other subject. A specimen of such meditation has also been given.

With a view, however, to assist at Mass profitably in any of these ways, it is necessary that we should make ourselves well acquainted with the nature and scope of this most sublime of all services. We should make ourselves familiar with it in all its parts,—with the ceremonies and movements which indicate them, and the devotions appropriate for each. For this purpose, we cannot do better than study with attention the service itself, with the rubrics which direct and in some degree explain the ceremonies. For this purpose, in the present edition of the Ordinary of the Mass, the rubrical

directions have been given very fully.

It will add very greatly to our interest in the Mass, as well as to the profit to be derived from it, if we endeavour, as much as possible, to enter into the special character and bearing of the service as it is applied by the Church to the different seasons or days of the year. By means of the variable parts of the service,—the Introit, the Collect, the Epistle and Gospel, the Offertory, the Secreta, the Communion and Post-Communion,—the greatest possible variety, and the most touching effect, is given to the service for different seasons and days; and they who do not avail themselves of it, lose a very great advantage and an exquisite pleasure. It is manifest that very different feelings should predominate in our minds, and very different ideas be present to them, at Lent and Easter, Advent and Whitsuntide. The Church, by means of the variable parts of the service, directs the mind to the proper subject of contemplation, and throws a wonderful light upon it by its quotations and adaptations of Scripture. All, therefore, who have leisure and opportunity should study beforehand the service for the day, and thus prepare themselves for joining intelligently, and with the greatest profit, in the public Mass.

For the same purpose also (not to mention here its other great advantages), we should endeavour to make ourselves acquainted with the history of those saints whose names are in the calendar, and who are commemorated at Mass on the days of their festival. The service on these days holds up these saints as examples for our imitation: we should therefore acquaint ourselves with their characters, the trials through which they passed, the good works they performed, and the virtues for which they were most remarkable.

It may be useful to give here a short sketch of the Mass service, and explanation of its different parts, as an introduction to the study of larger works, and for the sake of those who may not have time or opportunity for more extensive

reading.*

SECTION III.

A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE MASS.

THE Mass may be divided into six parts.

I. The general preparation which is made at the foot of the altar, before the Priest ascends the steps, by the general confession of Priest and people.

II. Another and more particular preparation for the sacrifice, by acts of praise, faith, and instruction. This part begins at the Introit, and includes the Epistle, Gospel, and Creed.

III. The preparation and sanctification of the bread and wine for the use of the sacrifice. This part includes from the

Offertory to the Preface or Canon.

IV. The Canon of the Mass, or main action of the sacrifice; including all from the Preface to the beginning of the Lord's Prayer.

V. The Communion, or sacramental part of the Mass,

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[•] Canon Oakeley's work, The Office and Ceremonies of the Mass explained, will be found very useful. There are also others by Glover, Challoner, &c.

which includes the Pater-noster, the Communion itself, and the ablutions.

VI. The public thanksgiving after Communion, from the prayer called the Communion to the end.

At the beginning of the Mass, the Priest, having placed the chalice and paten on the altar, covered with the pall, and having prepared the book, returns to the foot of the altarsteps, and standing there repeats alternately with the clerksthe 42d Psalm, Judica me, Deus, &c. (Judge me, O God, &c.). You may either repeat this Psalm with him, or use any other prayer, by way of general preparation for the service.

Then follows the Confiteor, or general confession, which is made as in the presence of God and the whole court of heaven, by the Priest and people alternately, with mutual prayers for the pardon and forgiveness of their sins. The Priest then alone prays for pardon and absolution; and he and all the people sign themselves with the sign of the cross, from the forehead to the breast. You may either repeat the Confiteor, or make use of any other form of confession of your sins.

After the Confiteor, a few versicles are read by the Priest and elerks. And then the Priest ascends the steps to the altar, which he kisses, saying meanwhile the prayers Aufer a nobis, &c. (Take away from us, &c. &c.), and Oramus te, Domine (We beseech Thee, O Lord). You may say with

him these simple and beautiful prayers.

Then he goes to the side of the altar on his right hand, on which the book is placed, and which is called the Epistic side, and reads the Introit, which consists of one or two verses from the Psalms, or other part of Scripture, expressive of humility or confidence, prayer or praise, which is one of the notes of the appropriate feeling for the service of the day. You may either join in this, or use a similar prayer of your own. After the Introit, the Priest returns to the middle of the altar, repeating alternately with the clerks the Kyrie eleison, which are short and earnest cries for mercy to each Person of the Blessed Trinity,—than which nothing can be more affecting, or appropriate for all.

Then he says the Gloria in excelsis, which is a hymn of praise to God, than which none more simple or sublime can be found. You should therefore join in this with all the affection of your heart. At High Mass, after the Priest has said the Gloria, the choir sings it, and the service pauses until

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it is concluded, during which time the Priest and congregation remain in devout contemplation. In Masses for the dead, and during the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent, this joyful hymn is not said or sung, except on high festivals occurring within those seasons.

After the Gloria, the Priest salutes the people with Domesmus vobiscum (The Lord be with you); and they answer, Et

cum spiritu tuo (And with thy spirit).

Then he goes to the book and reads the Collect or Collects for the day, concluding the first and last with Per Dominuse sostrum Jesum Christum, &c. (Through Jesus Christ our Lord). The Collects are short prayers for some special grace or blessing for the Church, appropriate to the season or day. You should join in these if possible, or at least unite your intention with that of the Priest by saying a fervent Amen.

After this follows the Epistle, which (as well as the Gospel) is a short portion of Scripture, selected by the Church for meditation and instruction, and adapted to the seasons and days. These generally harmonise with the Introit and Offertory, and form the most important parts of the variable portions of the Mass. If we cannot follow them, we must endeavour to make some suitable meditation or prayer while they are being read.

At the close of the Epistle, the book is removed to the other side of the altar, which is called the Gospel side; the Priest meantime saying the Gradual at the middle of the altar. The Gradual consists of some verses of Scripture, which vary to suit the seasons and service. They are so called because they used to be said on the steps of the pulpits. On four occasions, after the Gradual, is said a hymn, which is called a Sequence, or Prose; viz. at Easter, Pentecost, Corpus Christi, and in Masses for the dead.

At the reading of the Gospel, all stand up in token of reverence for the word of Christ, and to express a readiness to obey his commands. The Priest, having first saluted the people with Dominus vobiscum, makes the sign of the cross with his thumb on the Gospel, saying, Initium vel sequentia, &c. (The beginning, or continuation of the Gospel according to, &c.), and then signs himself on the forehead, lips, and breast, the people all doing the same. This signifies the desire of all to profess the Gospel openly, to confess it by word of mouth, and to keep it in their hearts; and the clerk says, Gloria tibi Domine (Glory be to Thee, O Lord). The Gospel being

finished, the clerk says, Laus tibi, Christe (Praise be to Thee, O Christ).

After the Gospel, usually follows the sermon, when there is one, but sometimes it is deferred until Mass is finished. The proper time is after the Gospel; and the sermon is frequently on some subject taken from or connected with the Gospel or Epistle of the day. When the sermon is finished, the Priest returns to the middle of the altar, and, all the people standing up, says the Nicene Creed. This is a solemn profession of our faith, and cannot be said too often, or meditated upon too much. At the words, Homo factus est (Wasmade man), all kneel down in reverence of the Incarnation; and the head is bowed at the sacred Name of Jesus, both here and at other times when it is solemnly mentioned. At High Mass, the Priests sit and the service pauses while the choir sings the Credo, during which time we may meditate on some of its mysteries, appropriate to the season:

Here ends the introductory part of the Mass; the mind having been prepared, by these various acts of confession, praise, instruction, and profession of faith, for the more solemn part of the service which is to follow, viz. the Sacrifice. Previous, however, to the Canon or main action of the Mass, the sacrifice itself, comes the solemn oblation and blessing of the matter of the sacrifice, the bread and the wine. This part

of the service begins with

The Offertory, which is a verse or sentence of Scripture, varying with the season or day. It was called the Offertory because it was the custom for the people to offer at this time bread and wine for the sacrifice. Afterwards the offering was made in money, collected from the people, which is still done, or ought to be done. There can be no more appropriate time to make offerings of our substance to God for the Church and for the poor, than when about to commemorate his love in offering himself a sacrifice upon the cross for us. said the Offertory, the Priest spreads upon the altar the cloth called the corporal, so called because it touches the body (corpus) of our Lord. He then takes the paten (from patena, a plate), with the Host (from hostia, a victim, because it is to become the body of Him who was offered as a victim for us) upon it, he elevates it in both his hands, and offers it to God. saying the prayer, Suscipe, sancte Pater (Receive, O holy Father). Having said this prayer, he takes the chalice and goes to the Epistle side of the altar, where the clerk waits with

wine and water. He first pours the wine into the chalice, and then takes a small quantity of water in a spoon, which he mixes with the wine, having first made the sign of the cross over the water, and saying the prayer, Deus, qui humanæ substantia (O God, who in creating human nature, &c.). Water is mixed with the wine, from a tradition that our blessed Lord used wine mixed with water at the Last Supper; and also to typify the water which flowed with the blood from our Lord's pierced side.

Then returning to the middle of the altar, he elevates and offers up the wine, saying the prayer, Offerimus tibi, Domine (We offer unto thee, O Lord, &c.). Then bowing down, he prays that the sacrifice about to be offered may be acceptable to the Lord.

The matter of the sacrifice is now prepared and dedicated to God; but as a further act of preparation, and to shew the extreme purity with which the sacrifice ought to be approached, the Priest goes again to the Epistle side of the altar, and being supplied with water by the clerk, washes and wipes the tips of his fingers, saying the psalm, Lavabo inter innocentes (I will wash my hands, &c.).

Then returning again to the middle of the altar, he bows down and says the prayer, Suscipe, sancta Trinitas (Receive. O holy Trinity), praying the holy Trinity to accept the sacrifice in remembrance of the passion of Christ, and in honour of the saints. And then turning to the people, he begs them to pray for the same end, which they do in the prayer that fo!lows.

Then turning to the book, he reads the Secreta. called because said secretly, that is, inaudibly, by the Priest. It is a short prayer, corresponding to the Collect for the day. At the end of it he says aloud, Per omnia sæcula sæculorum (World without end); and then Sursum corda and the other versicles which follow, concluding with the Preface. The Preface is so called because it is the immediate introduction to the Canen, or most holy part of the Mass. It is a very ancient and most beautiful hymn, concluding with the Sanctus, or Holy, holy, holy, which is called the scraphic hymn. When the Priest commences the Sanctus, he lowers his voice and bows down profoundly, and the bell is rung, to summon all to increased attention and solemnity of feeling, as the time approaches for the awful sacrifice. Join in the hymn, and prepare yourself, with all humility and intensity of devotion, for what is to follow in the next part of the Mass, which is

The Canon means the *rule* or *order* which must be followed in offering the sacrifice, and which cannot be changed. It commences by calling upon God to bless and sanctify the gifts offered to Him in sacrifice on behalf of the Church, and of all the faithful, and for persons in particular.

Both here and in the preceding Offertory prayers, the mystical sacrifice of the altar is anticipated, and considered in some sense to commence from the time of the offering of the bread and wine; and they are therefore called that which they are presently to become, the "immaculate host," the

"chalice of salvation," the "unspotted sacrifice."

After having prayed in particular for those he wishes to pray for, and for the congregation present, he mentions the names of the blessed Virgin Mary, the twelve apostles, and of twelve celebrated martyrs of Rome, in token of our communion with the saints in heaven, for their honour, and for obtaining their intercession. Our devotions at this time should consist in uniting our intention with that of the Priest, and praying for all whom we wish to remember before God. At the prayer. Hane igitur (We therefore beseech thee, &c.), the Priest spreads his hands over the oblation, and the bell rings again. because it is the beginning of the consecration prayers, and the bread and wine will now in a few moments become the body and blood of Christ. At this time the most profound stillness is observed, while the Priest repeats the words of Christ at the Last Supper, which is the act of consecration and the moment of transubstantiation. After having consecrated each kind, he kneels, adores, and then elevates it, and the bell is rung thrice at each elevation. Our devotion at this time should be that of the most profound adoration, in body and soul, of the most awful and august presence of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, under the sacramental veils. No words are necessary here; but if words be needed, the Ave verum corpus (Hail, true body, &c.), or Adoro te denote, &c. (I adore thee devortly, O hidden Deity, &c.) may be said.

After the consecration, the Priest says three short prayers: the first, offering again to God that pure and holy Host, or victina, who is now truly on the altar; the second, beseeching Him to accept it, as He was pleased to accept the ancient sacrifices of Abel, Abraham, and Melchisedech, which were all typical of this; and the third, that this secrifice on the altar

may at the same time be offered by his holy angel on the atar on high, that is, before God in heaven, and that as many as partake of the sacrament may be filled with every

grace and blessing.

Then the Priest says the Memento for the dead. Prayers are effered for the living before the sacrifice, because they can unite in the offering; prayer is made for the dead after the sacrifice, because they can only participate in its fruits and effects by our prayers. First, he prays for any who have in particular been commended to him; and then for all who "sleep in Christ," that the merits of this most efficacious sacrifice may be communicated to them, for their refreshment, light, and peace. At this time we should commend to God those of our relations and friends who have died, and particularly those, if any, whom we may have injured by our bad example or neglect.

Having prayed for the dead, the Priest, striking his breast, in token of humility and unworthiness, prays for himself and all present, that they may have their portion and fellowship with the appetles, martyrs, and saints, and be admitted at last iato their company in heaven, through Christ our Lord, by whom we receive all blessings, and with and through whom we ascribe all honour and glory to God, for ever and ever, per omnia sacula sacula saculas s

First, he says the Lord's Prayer aloud, and expands the last petition, "deliver us from evil," into another prayer, which he concludes with the words, per omnia sæcula sæculorum, aloud. Then breaking the Host in half, and breaking off a small particle from one half, he makes the sign of the cross with it over the chalice, saying, Pax Domini (The peace of the Lord be always with you); and the clerk answers, And with thy spirit. He then puts the particle into the chalice, saying the prayer, Hæe commiztio, &c. (May this mixture, &c.).

Then Jetus Christ is addressed three times as the "Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world;" twice we implore Him to "have mercy upon us;" and, lastly, to "give us peace," that peace which He promised to his disciples before He left the world, and with which He saluted them on his

resurrection. Each time the Priest says the Agnus Dei, he strikes himself on the breast. There cannot be a more beautiful and touching devotion than this. The full heart can find no better way of relieving itself than by these words and this action.

In Masses for the Dead, instead of, Miserere nobis (Have mercy upon us), is said, Dona eis requiem (Give them rest).

The Priest then, fixing his eyes reverently upon the sacred Host, says three prayers of preparation for receiving the holy communion, addressed to that "Lord Jesus Christ" whom then he holds in his hands, and on whom he is then looking. These three prayers are earnest petitions that he may receive the same body and blood of Christ, not to his condemnation but salvation, that he may be delivered thereby from all sin and evil, and be never separated from his Lord and God. Then taking the Host in his hand, he says, Panem calestem, &c. (I will take the bread of heaven, &c.). During these prayers, and at this time, we may unite ourselves in spirit with the Priest, and prepare to receive Jesus Christ spiritually, although we may not intend to communicate really. If we intend to communicate, no better prayers can be used at this time.

The Priest then says three times, striking his breast each time, Domine, non sum dignus, &c. (Lord, I am notworthy, &c.); and then reverently receives the Host, saying, Corpus Domini nostri, &c. (The body of our Lord, &c.). Then, after a short meditation on the stupendous mystery, he uncovers the chalice, and adores the sacred blood, gathers up the smallest fragments that may be on the corporal in the paten, and puts them into the chalice. Then taking the chalice in his hands, and saying the words of the psalm, Quid retribuam Domino, &c. (What shall I render unto the Lord, &c.), and Sanguis Domini nostri (The blood of our Lord, &c.), he receives the blood of our Saviour.

At the Domine, non sum dignus, the bell is run, and all who intend to communicate go up to the rail or steps of the altar. The clerk repeats the Confileor for them; the Priest opens the tabernacle, adores, and then takes out the ciborium (which is the vessel in which the consecrated particles for communicants are reserved); he then says the absolution, and taking one of the particles in his finger and thuml, he holds it up, saying, Ecce Agnus Dei, &c. (Behold the Lamb of God, &c.); and afterwards, Domine, non sum dignus (Lord, I

am not worthy, &c.) three times, descending the steps the last time; and then he communicates the people, giving to each one the sacred Host, and saving, Corpus Domini nostri. &c. (The body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve thy soul unto everlasting life. Amen.) Then he returns to the altar. replaces the ciborium in the tabernacle, and proceeds with the ablutions. First, he takes a little wine into the chalice, and drinks it. saving, Quod ore sumpsimus, &c. (Grant, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth, &c.). Next, wine and water is poured over his fingers and thumbs into the chalice, and he drinks that also. From the time that he first touches the consecrated Host until this time, he never disjours his fingers and thumbs. Having drunk the wine and water, he wipes his fingers and the chalice with the napkin, and then covers the chalice with the pall, as at first; and here ends the fifth part of the Mass. or the Communion.

If we do not communicate ourselves, we may occupy our time from the beginning of the Priest's communion until now in making a spiritual communion, or in making acts of faith, hope, love, and contrition, or in repeating the Litany of the Blessed Sacrament, or in any other suitable devotion.

The sixth part of the Mass, or the thanksgiving, begins with the Communion, so called because formerly it was the custom to sing it while the Communion was being administered. It consists of a verse, generally taken from the Psalms, and varies with the day or season.

After having read the Communion, the Priest returns to the middle of the altar, kisses it, and turning to the people, says, Dminus vobiscum. Then he returns to the book, and reads the Post-Communion, so called because it was first read immediately after Communion, as a thanksgiving to God for the inestimable blessing of having participated in the sacred saysteries, and to ask for the fruits of the same. This is the last prayer of the Mass; after which the Priest shuts the book. He then returns to the centre of the altar, kisses it, and says again, Dominus vobiscum; after which he adds, Ite, missa est (Go, the Mass is ended). Then first saying the prayer, Placeat tibi (O Holy Trinity, let, &c.), he gives the blessing, Benedicat vos, making the sign of the cross over the people at the rame of the Holy Trinity.

The first chapter of St. John's Gospel is generally read after Mass. It declares, in terms of the greatest simplicity and salkimity, the great mystery of the Incarnation,—the mystery of mysteries, with which all others are connected. and out of which they spring; and of which the mystery of transubstantiation is at once the symbol and chief fruit. All speculative difficulties concerning this last mystery disappear when we consider the former. They who truly believe that, will find no difficulty in this, but will see in the one a sort of natural consequence and confirmation of the other. Well, therefore, may we meditate on this Gospel at the conclusion of the Mass; and with what better thoughts can we occupy ourselves at this time than with these: "THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us. He was in the world, and the world knew Him not. The Light shineth in dsrkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God." Deo gratias (Thanks be to God).

When a saint's day falls on a Sunday, the Gospel for the saint's day is read in the Mass, and the Gospel for the

Sunday is substituted for that of St. John.

A SHORT EXPLANATION.

(From the Catechism.)

Q. What is the Mass?

A. It is the unbloody sacrifice of the Body and Blood of Christ.

Q. What are the ends for which this sacrifice is offered?

- A. 1st, for God's honour and glory; 2dly, as a thanks-giving for all his benefits; 3dly, for obtaining perdon of our sins; and, 4thly, for obtaining all graces and blessings through Jesus Christ.
- Q. Is it not also a memorial of the passion and leath of our Lord?
- A. Yes; for Christ, at his last supper, commanded it to be offered in remembrance of Him.
 - Q. How should we hear Mass?
 - A. With great attention and devotion.

Brayers before Mass.

[The Litanies of the Holy Mass and of the Four Quarters, Scriptural Litany, &c., will be found at pp. 318, 373-388.]

In the name of the A Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, open thou our lips.

Congregation. And our mouths shall declare thy praise.

P. O God, incline unto our aid.

C. O Lord, make haste to help us.

P. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

C. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

P. Let us adore the Lord of glory.C. Let us adore the God of our salvation.

- P. The King of Heaven inviteth us and graciously calleth s into his sacred presence; to him we owe all the days of our lives; let us give this day at least to his service.

C. Let us adore the Lord of glory.

P. The angels are always assembled in their choirs above, the saints join their hymns; behold now the Church also prepareth her solemn offices, and summoneth all her children to bring in their tribute of prayer and praise.

C. Let us adore the God of our salvation.

P. Come, let us rejoice before the Lord; let us sing joyfully to God our Saviour; let us make haste to approach his presence, and proclaim his praises; for the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods: in his hands are all the ends of the earth.

C. Let us adore the God that made us.

P. Let us adore and fall down before the Lord who created us; for he is the Lord our God, and we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

C. Let us adore and fall down before him.

P. To-day, if ye shall hear his voice, harden not your hearts, but listen awfully to his word, and bend your knees before his holy altars.

C. We will adore the Lord of glory; we will worship the

God of our salvation.

P. Glory be to the Father, &c. C. As it was in the beginning, &c.

Hail, Mary. I believe.



Enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; and direct our feet into the ways of peace, O God of Israel.

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O almighty and eternal God, who hast appointed us six days in which we may labour, and hast consecrated the seventh to thyself; grant, we beseech thee, that according as thou hast commanded, we may sanctify this day, by devoting it entirely to thy love and service. Mercifully forgive us all our past neglect; pardon the sins of which we have been guilty during the course of the week, and give us grace henceforth to avoid them. Make us sensible, O God, of the daily blessings we receive from thy bounty; that as we know thee by faith, we may love thee by charity; and fixing all our hopes on the happiness of a future life, we may patiently suffer, in submission to thy holy will, what thou dost now permit, and may come at length to the joys of thy heavenly kingdom; through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick.

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved; for thou art my praise.

P. I said, O Lord, be thou merciful to me.

C. Heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Let us pray.

O almighty and everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in thee, hear us, we beseech thee, in behalf of thy servants who are sick, for whom we humbly implore thy mercy; that their health may be restored, if it be expedient for them, and that they may render thanks to thee in thy church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for the Dead.

Psalm exxix. De profundis.

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

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Let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. If thou, O Lord, wilt observe iniquities: Lord, who shall endure it?

For with thee there is merciful forgiveness, and because of

thy law I have waited for thee, O Lord.

My soul hath relied on his word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning-watch even until night, let Israel hope in the Lord.

For with the Lord there is mercy: and with him there is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

Eternal rest give to them, O Lord.

And may perpetual light shine upon them.

Let us pray.

O God, the giver of pardon and lover of the salvation of mankind, we beseech thy clemency; grant that the members of this congregation, that our relations, and benefactors, who have departed this life, may by the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary and of all thy saints come to the fellowship of eternal happiness.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that through pious supplications they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired; through Jesus Christ

our Lord. Amen.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

O almighty and eternal God, grant us an increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may deserve to obtain what thou hast promised, make us to love what thou hast commanded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACTS OF FAITH, HOPE, CHARITY, AND CONTRITION.

An Act of Faith.

I firmly believe there is one God; and that in this one God there are three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; that the Son took to himself the nature of man, from the Virgin Mary's womb, by the power of the Holy Ghost; and that in this our human nature he was crucified and died for us; that afterwards he rose again and ascended into heaven, from thence he shall come to repay the just evertasting glory, and the wicked everlasting punishment; moreover, I believe whatsoever else the Catholic Church proposes to

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be believed, and this because God who is the sovereign truth, who can neither deceive nor be deceived, has revealed all these things to this his Church.

C. Grant, O God, that we may humbly receive and firmly hold fast all those truths which thou hast revealed, and which

thy Church has proposed to our belief.

An Act of Hope.

O my God, relying on thy almighty power and thy infinite mercy and goodness, and because thou art faithful to thy promises, I trust in thee that thou wilt grant me forgiveness of my sins, through the merits of Jesus Christ thy Son; and that thou wilt give me the assistance of thy grace, with which I may labour to continue to the end in the diligent exercise of all good works, and may deserve to obtain the glory which thou hast promised in heaven.

C. This hope thus founded on thy mercy, thy power, and thy promises, still more, O God, confirm and strengthen

in us.

An Act of Charity.

O Lord, my God, I love thee with my whole heart; and above all things because thou, O God, art the sovereign good, and for thy own infinite perfections art most worthy of all love; and for thy sake, I also love my neighbour as myself.

C. Thus only, O God, can we satisfy our duty of loving thee above all things, and our neighbour as ourselves.

An Act of Contrition.

O my God, who art infinitely good, and always hatest sin, I beg pardon from my heart for all my offences against thee; I detest them all and am heartily sorry for them, because they offend thy infinite goodness, and I firmly resolve by the help of thy grace never more to offend thee, and carefully to avoid the occasions of sin.

C. Wherefore, O God, we come before thee this day, to beg pardon for all our past transgressions, and to implore thine

assistance for the time to come.

And now, O God, calling to mind with the greatest gratitude the blessed passion and death of thy Son Christ our Lord, as also his resurrection from the dead, and his glorious ascension into heaven, we prepare to offer to thy divine Majesty a pure, a holy, and a spotless victim—for so thou hast ordained—the holy bread of eternal life and the chalice of our salvation. Look down, therefore, upon them, O Lord, with a propitious and serene countenance, and accept them, as thou wast pleased to accept the offerings of thy righteous servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our father Abraham, and that which thy high-priest Melohisedech offered unto thee, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim. Amen.

Private Prayer before Mass. (St. Gertrude.)

O almighty, everlasting God, seeing that it is the true faith of thy Church that the boly sacrifice of the Mass instituted by thy Son is infinitely pleasing to thy divine Majesty, and renders thee an infinite worship and praise, and since by it alone thou canst be worthily and adequately worshipped and praised; impelled by an ardent desire of thy honour and glory, I purpose to assist at this present sacrifice with the utmost devotion of which I am capable, and to offer this most Holy Oblation to thee in union with thy priest. I offer thee not only this sacrifice, but all those which shall be this day offered from every part of the world; and I protest before thee that if it depended on me whether they should be offered or omitted, I would put forth all my powers to procure and further their being offered. And were I able now to raise up to thee, of the stones which are scattered over the earth, most devoted priests, who should day by day and with glowing fervour offer to thee this sacrifice of praise, I would most gladly do it. But, being what I am, I implore thee, O most holy Father, through Jesus Christ thy Son, to pour into the hearts of all thy priests, and especially those who might perchance otherwise offer thee this acceptable sacrifice coldly and without due recollectedness, the spirit of grace and of fervour that they may be enabled to celebrate thy tremendous Mystery with becoming awe and devotion. Grant to me, and to all those who are here present with me, that we may join in this most sacred action with reverence and devotion, so that we may have our portion in its fruit and effect. - I confess to thee, O almighty God, and to the blessed Mary ever Virgin, and to all the Saints, my own sins and those of all the world; and I lay them on thy sacred altar, that they may be entirely blotted out by the virtue of this sacrifice. Do thou deign to grant us this grace, by that love which held back thy hand from smiting when thy most beloved Son, thy only Son, was immolated by the hands of ungodly men. Amen.

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Ordinary of the Mass.1

THE ASPERGES.

Ant. Asperges me, Domine, hys-sopo, et mundabor: lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Ps. Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tu-

🕏. Gloria Patri, &c. Ant. Asperges me.

Ant. Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be cleansed: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

Ps. Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy

¥. Glory be, &c. Ant. Thou shalt sprinkle me.

The Priest, being returned to the foot of the Altar, says:

W. Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam.

R. Et salutare tuum da nobis. V. Domine, exaudi orationem

meam. R7. Et clamor meus ad te ve-

Y. Dominus vobiscum.

Ry. Et cum spiritu tuo.

V. Show us, O Lord, thy mercy.

R7. And grant us thy salvation. V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R7. And let my cry come unto

thee. V. The Lord be with you.

B'. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Exaudi nos, Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, æterne Deus; et mittere digneris sanctum angelum tuum de cœlis, qui custodiat, foveat, protegat, visitet, atque defendat omnes habitantes in hoc habitaculo. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Hear us, O holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God; and vouchsafe to send thy holy angel from heaven, to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all that are assembled in this house. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

From Easter to Whitsunday inclusively, instead of the foregoing Anthem. the following is sung, and Alleluia is added to the V. (Ostende nobis), and also to its R7. (Et salutare).

Ant. Vidi aquam egredientem de

Ant. I saw water flowing from temple a latere dextro, Alleluia; the right side of the temple, Al-

¹ For an explanation of ceremonies, see Mr. Oakeley's Ceremonics of the Mass explained.

Debotions at **Mass**.

PRAYERS BEFORE MASS.

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, one God, the holy sacrifice of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which I, thy unworthy servant, desire now to offer unto thy divine Majesty by the hands of this thy minister, with all the sacrifices which have ever been or are to be offered unto thee, in union with that most holy sacrifice offered by the same our Lord at the last supper, and on the altar of the cross. I offer it unto thee with the utmost affection of devotion, out of pure love for thine infinite goodness, and according to the most holy intention of the same our Lord, and of our holy mother Church:

1. To the great and eternal glory and love of thy

divine Majesty.

2. In acknowledgment of thy sovereign excellence and supreme dominion over us, and our subjection to thee, and dependence upon thee.

3. In perpetual commemoration of the passion and

death of the same Christ our Lord.

4. For the honour and increase of glory of the blessed Virgin, and of all the saints triumphant.

5. In eternal thanksgiving for all thy benefits, conferred upon the most sacred humanity of our Lord, upon the blessed Virgin his mother, upon the saints my patrons; and for all the benefits hitherto or yet to be conferred upon all the blessed and predestinated, and upon me, the most unworthy of all.

6. In satisfaction for my sins, and for the sins of

all the faithful, living or dead.

et omnes ad quos pervenit aqua ista salvi facti sunt, et dicent, Alleluia.

Ps. Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus : quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus. Gloria, &c. leluia; and all to whom that water came were saved, and they shall

say, Alleluia.

Ps. Praise the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. Glory, &c.

ORDINARY OF THE MASS.

The Priest begins at the foot of the Altar.

In nomine Patris, + et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

Introibo ad altare Dei.

Ry. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I will go unto the altar of God.
Ry. To God, who giveth joy to

Psalm xlii.

S. Judica me, Deus, et discerne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab homine iniquo et doloso erue me.

M. Quia tu es, Deus, fortitudo mea, quare me repulisti? et quare tristis incedo dum affligit me ini-

micus?

S. Emitte lucem tuam et veritatem tuam: ipsa me deduxerunt et adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum, et in tabernacula tua.

M. Et introibo ad altare Dei: ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem

meam.

- S. Confitebor tibi in cithara, Deus, Deus meus: quare tristis es, anima mea? et quare conturbas me?
- M. Spera in Deo, quoniam adhuo confitebor illi: salutare vultus mei, et Deus meus,
- S. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
- M. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.
 - y. Introibo ad altare Dei,

P. Judge me, O God, and distinguish my cause from the nation that is not holy; deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man.

R. For thou, O God, art my strength, why hast thou cast me off? and why do I go sorrowful whilst the enemy afflicteth me?

P. Send forth thy light and thy truth: they have conducted me and brought me unto thy holy mount, and into thy tabernacles.

R. And I will go unto the altar of God: to God, who giveth joy to

my youth.

my youth.

P. I will praise thee on the harp, O God, my God: why art thou sorrowful, O my soul? and why dost thou disquiet me?

R. Hope in God, for I will still give praise to him: who is the salvation of my countenance, and my God.

P. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

V. I will go unto the altar of God.

7. In particular, I offer it for the attainment of these (N N), or for this (N) grace or blessing, for these (N N) persons particularly recommended to me, and for all for whom I am accustemed or bound to pray; that thou wouldst grant to the departed rest, and to the living grace, to know, and love, and glorify thee perfectly now in this life, and hereafter blissfully in heaven. Accept and perfect this my desire, and vouchsafe thy abundant grace and blessing for its accomplishment.

Short Preparatory Prayers before Mass.

Prostrate in spirit at the foot of thy holy altar, I adore thee, O almighty God, and firmly believe that the Mass at which I am going to assist is the sacrifice of the body and blood of thy Son Christ Jesus. Oh, grant that I may assist thereat with the attention, respect, and awe due to such august mysteries; and that, by the merits of the victim there offered for me, I myself may become an agreeable sacrifice to thee, who livest and reignest with the same Son and Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

I believe, O my God, that in the sacrifice of the Mass is daily renewed that sacrifice which Jesus Christ accomplished on the cross. I believe that it is senewed for the glory of thy divine name, for the sanctification of the just, and for the salvation of sinners. I humbly implore thee, O Father of mercies, to purify my heart before being present at the holocust of the Lamb without spot. Be far from me all thoughts of earth, while I assist at that greatest work of heaven, which God himself cannot surpass. Jesus, Mary, all ye holy angels, be my aid!

Or.

O most merciful Father of mercies, and God of all consolation, who so lovedst the world that thou sparedst not thine only-begotten Son, but for our restoration gave him up to the suffering and death of R. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventutem meam.

Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

R7. Qui fecit cœlum et terram.

Ry. To God, who giveth joy to my youth.

Y. Our help is in the name of

y. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Ry. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Then, joining his hands and humbly bowing down, he says the Confession.

S. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, &c.

M. Misereatur tui omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis tuis, perducat te ad vitam æternam.

S. Amen.

M. Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, beatze Marize semper Virgini, beato Michaeli Archangelo, beato Joanni Baptistæ, sanctis Apostolis Petro et Paulo, omnibus Sanctis, et tibi pater, quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo, et opere, mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaelem Archangelum, beatum Joannem Baptistam, sanctos Apostolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et te pater, orare pro me ad Dominum Deum nostrum.

P. I confess to almighty God, &c.

R. May almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to life everlasting.

P. Amen.

R. I confess to almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, father. that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed [here strike the breast thrice], through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, and you, father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

Then the Priest, with his hands joined, gives the Absolution, saying :

S. Misereatur vestri omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis vestris, perducat vos ad vitam æternam.

M. Amen.

P. May almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

R. Amen.

Signing himself with the sign of the Cross, he says:

S.+ Indulgentiam, absolutionem, et remissionem peocatorum nostrorum tribuat nobis omnipotens et misericors Dominus.

M. Amen.

P. + May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins.

R. Amen.

Then, bowing down, he proceeds:

R. Et plebs tua lætabitur in te.

Y. Thou wilt turn again, O God, and quicken us.

R7. And thy people shall rejoice in thee.

the most bitter cross; and moreover willest that this sacrifice, most pleasing unto thee, should daily be renewed in thy Church for the renewal of its fruits in us; grant us, we beseech thee, to assist at this adorable and salutary mystery of thy divine power, wisdom, and goodness, with such attention, reverence, and devotion, that by the offering of this unbloody sacrifice we may most effectually be made partakers of that sacrifice of blood, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

At the Confiteor.

O blessed Trinity, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, prostrate in spirit before thee, I here confess in the sight of the whole court of heaven, and of all thy faithful, my innumerable treasons against thy divine Majesty. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned: I have grievously offended through the whole course of my life, in thought, word, and deed; and therefore am unworthy to lift my eyes to heaven, or so much as to name thy sacred name: how much more am I unworthy to appear here in thy sanctuary, and to assist among thy angels at these heavenly mysteries, which require so much purity, because Jesus Christ himself is here in person, both Priest and Victim! But, O my God, thy mercies are above all thy works, and thou wilt not despise a contrite and humble heart; and therefore I here venture to come into thy temple, and with the poor publican, strike my breast and say, God, be merciful to me a sinner. Amen.

Another Prayer at the Confiteor.

O divine Jesus, thou art the victim charged with all the iniquities of the world; thou didst weep for them bitter tears; thou didst expiate them by the most dreadful torments and by the most cruel of deaths. I come to mingle my tears with thine; I confess to thee, in the presence of Mary ever Virgin and of all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly;

- ▼. Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam.
 - RV. Et salutare tuum da nobis.
- y. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.
 - Ry. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.
 - ▼. Dominus vobiscum. Ry. Et cum spiritu tuo.

- y. Shew us, O Lord, thy mercy.
- Ry. And grant us thy salvation.

 Y. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- Ry. And let my cry come unto thee.
 - Y. The Lord be with you.
 R. And with thy spirit.

Ascending to the Altar, he says secretly:

Aufer a nobis, quæsumus, Domine, iniquitates nostras; ut ad Sancta sanctorum puris mereamur mentibus introire. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Take away from us our iniquities, we beseech thee, O Lord: that may be worthy to enter with pure minds into the holy of holies. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bowing down over the Altar, he says:

Oramus te, Domine, per merita sanctorum, tuorum quorum reliquiæ hic sunt, et omnium sanctorum, ut indulgere digneris omnia peccata mea. Amen.

We beseech thee, O Lord, by the merits of thy saints whose relics are here, and of all the saints, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to forgive me all my sins. Amen.

[At High Mass the Altar is here incensed.] Then the Priest, signing himself with the sign of the Cross, reads the Introit.

The Kyrie eleison is then said:

- S. Kyrie eleison (three times).
- M. Christe eleison (three times).
 S. Kyrie eleison (three times).
- Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Afterwards, standing at the middle of the Altar, extending, and then joining his hands, he says the Gloria in excelsis.²

Gloria in excelsis Deo; et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntatis. Laudamus te; benedicimus te; adoramus te; glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi profiter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex celestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Pili unigenite Jesu Christe; Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram: qui sedes ad dexteram Patram:

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise thee; we bless thee; we adore thee; we glorify thee. We give thee thanks for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord Son: O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive

¹ These, as well as the Collects. Epistle, Gradual, Gospel. Offertory, Secreta, Communion, and Post-Communions, are variable, and may be found in the Mis-al.

2 The Gloric is omitted during Lent and Advent, and in Masses for the Dead.

that it is my ingratitude that pierced thy heart, and put thee to a cruel death. O God, my Saviour, through thy tears, through thy agony in the Garden, and through thy precious blood and the wound in thy Sacred Heart, I beseech thee to accept this my confession, and mercifully pardon all my deficiencies, that, according to the greatness of thy mercy, I may be fully and perfectly absolved in heaven; who livest and reignest, &c.

When the Priest goes to the Altar.

Let us adore the Heart of Jesus, which has loved us so much; let us prostrate ourselves before him, and bewail the sins of which we have been guilty. Grant us, O Lord, a contrite and humble heart; let the homage of our adorations be as acceptable to thee as if we offered thee thousands of victims.

At the Introit.

The Lord hath opened the gates of heaven; he hath rained down manna to feed us; he hath given us the bread of angels. Thy goodness, O my God, hath prepared it for the poor and humble heart; blessed art thou, O God of Israel, thou only canst work such wonders for me. I will offer to thee, in the presence of all thy people, the homage of my love and gratitude.

At the Kyrie.

O Father of infinite mercy, have pity on thy children; O Jesus, sacrificed for us, apply to us the merits of thy precious blood; O Holy Ghost, the Sanctifier, descend into our hearts, and inflame them with thy love.

Or,

Have mercy on me, O Lord, and forgive me all my sins; and though I have nothing of my own to move thy goodness, yet let my importunity prevail: have mercy, O Lord, have mercy on me.

tris, miserere nobis. Quomiam tu solus sanctus: tu solus Dominus: tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gleris Dei Patris. Amen.

our prayers: thon who sittest at the right hand of the Father have mercy on us. For thou only art holy: thou only art the Lerd: thou only, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Chost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Priest kieses the Atten, and turning to the people, cays:

W. Dominus vobiscum...
By. Et cum spiritu tuo.

F. The Lord be with you.
Ry. And with thy spirit.

Then follow the Collects, which may be found in the Missal, or the following may be used instead:

Defend us, O Lord, we beseech thee, from all dangers of soul and body; and by the intercession of the glurious and blessed Mary ever Virgin, Mother of God, the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, the blessed N. and all thy Saints, grant us, in thy mercy, health and peace; that all adversities and errors being done away, thy Church may serve thee with a pure and undisturbed devotion. Through, &c.

O almighty and evertasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is sanctified and governed; hear our humble supplications for all degrees and orders thereof, that, by the assistance of thy grace, they may faithfully serve thee. Through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Chost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Then is read the Epistle, or the following may be read instead:-

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men: the Lord is nigh. Be not selicitous about any thing; but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thankaging let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. For the rest, brethren, whatsever things are true, whatsever things are lost, whatsever things are holy, whatsever things are holy, whatsever things are holy, whatsever things are holy, whatsever things are of good repute, if there be any virtue, if there be any praise of discipline, think on these things. The things which you have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, these do ye; and the God of peace shall be with you.

After which:

Deo gratias.

Thanks be to God.

Then the Gradual, Tract, Alleluia, or Sequence,

Before the Gospel.

Munda cor meum ac labia mea, Cleanse my heart and my lips, emnipotens Deus, qui labia Isaise O almighty God, who didist cleanse

At the Gloria in excelsis.

What happiness for us that the Son of the Most High should have been pleased to dwell amongst us, and have vouchsafed to offer us a dwelling in his Divine Heart! Suffer us, O Lord, to mingle our voices with those of the angelic choir, to thank thee for so great a favour; and let us say with them, "Glory to God in the highest heavens." O almighty Father, we praise thee, we bless thee, we adore thee; we give thee thanks for all the benefits which thou hast lavished upon us without ceasing. O Jesus, Lamb without spot, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, who reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost in glory, and meritest all our homage mearth.

At the Collects.

O Lord, vouchsafe favourably to hear the prayers which thy priest offers to thee for the Church and for me.

I carnestly beseech thee to grant me those graces and virtues of which I have need, in order to deserve thy love. Fill my heart with eternal gratitude for all the blessings which thou hast conferred upon me, with a lively horror of sin, and with perfect charity towards my neighbour. Make my whole life worthy of one who is thy child. I deserve not to be heard for my own sake, O my God, but I beseech thy mercy through the infinite merits of thy divine Son.

O divine Jesus, inexhaustible fountain of all good things, open to us, we beseech thee, the interior of thy Heart; that having entered, by pious meditation, into this august sanctuary of divine love, we may fix for ever there our hearts, as the place wherein are found the treasure, the repose, and the happiness of

boly souls.

At the Epistle.

Thou hast vouchsafed, O Lord, to teach us thy

prophetæ calculo mundasti ignito; ita me tua grata miseratione dignare mundare, ut sanctum Evangelium tuum digne valeam nuntiare. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Dominus sit in corde tuo et in labiis tuis, ut digne et competenter annunties Evangelium suum: in nomine Patris, et Filii, et + Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

- **▼**. Dominus vobiscum.
- B7. Et cum spiritu tuo.
- V. Sequentia (vel initium) sancti Evangelii secundum N.
 - R'. Gioria tibi, Domine.

the lips of the prophet Isaiah with a burning coal: and vouchsafe, through thy gracious mercy, so to purify me, that I may worthily proclaim thy holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord be in thy heart and on thy lips, that thou mayest worthily, and in a becoming manner, announce his holy Gopel: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and + of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

- ▼. The Lord be with you.
- R7. And with thy spirit.
- y. The continuation (or beginning) of the holy Gospel according to N.
 - R7. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Then is read the Gospel, or the following may be used instead:

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he shall give you another Paraclete, that he may abide with you for ever, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, nor knoweth him: but you shall know him, because it seeth him not, nor knoweth him: but you shall know him, because it seeth him so more. But ye see me, because I live, and the world seeth me no more. But ye see me, because I live, and you shall live. In that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me. And he that loveth me shall be loved by my Father: smd I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

B7. Laus tibi. Christe.

nostra delicta.

Per evangelica dicta deleantur

R'. Praise be to thee, O Christ.

By the words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

Nicene Creed.

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, Factorem colli et terræ, visibilium omnium et invisibilium.

Et in unum Dominum Jesum, Christum, Flitum Dei unigenitum, et ex Patre natum ante ommia escula. Deum de Deo; Lumen de Lumine; Deum verum de Deo vero; genitum non factum; consubstantialem Patri, per guem omnia facta sumt. Qui propter nos homines, I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, borra of the Father before all ages. God of God; Light of Light; true God of true God; begotten not made; consubstantial with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation, sacred truths by the prophets and apostles: ch, grant that we may so improve by their doctrine and examples in the love of thy holy name and of thy holy law, that we may show forth by our lives whose disciples we are; that we may no longer follow the corrupt inclinations of flesh and blood, but master all our passions; that we may be ever directed by thy light, and strengthened by thy grace, to walk in the way of thy commandments, and to serve thee with clean hearts. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the Gospel.

O God, the Father of light, blessed for ever be thy mercy, whereby thou hast called the nations of the earth from the darkness of ignorance and the shades of death into the marvellous light of thy faith; grant that all mankind, being delivered by thee from the slavery of Satan and of sin, may take upon them the light burden and sweet yoke of thy holy law; that thy name may be known and praised through all the earth. Behold, O Lord, how many are there who still remain in the darkness of error and of sin; and amongst those who know thy name, behold, how many with an unspeakable malice love and worship themselves and created things, instead of thee, who art the only and infinite Good! Grant, then, we beseech thee, by thy almighty grace that all mankind may become one family of saints, seeking only thy kingdom and justice. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Or,

O Lord Jesus, who, according to thy Father's will, hast declared unto the world the message of the Gospel; grant that we may receive it into our minds, embrace it with our wills, preserve it in our memory, and practise it in our lives; and being united here with these elect sheep who hear thy voice, may be numbered with them also at the last day at thy right hand, and hear thee say, "Come, ye blessed of my

et propter nostram salutem, descendit de cœlls, et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto, ex Maria Virgine: ET HOMO FACTUS EST. [Hic genuflectitur.] Crucifixus etiam pro nobis: sub Pontio Pilato passus et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertia, die secundum Scripturas; et ascendit in cœlum, sedet ad dexteram Patris: et iterum venturus est cum gloria judioare vivos et mortuos: cujus regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum Dominum et vivificantem, qui ex Patre Filioque procedit: qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur: qui locutus est per prophetas. Et unam sanctam Catholicam et Apostolicam Eoclesiam confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expecto resurrectionem, mortuorum, et vitam venturi seculi. Amen.

- ▼. Dominus vobiscum.
- R7. Et cum spiritu tuo.

came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary: AND WAS MADE MAN. [Here the people kneel down.] He was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. The third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father: and he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead: of whose kingdom there shall be no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and life-giver, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son: who together with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified: who spake by the prophets. And one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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- y. The Lord be with you
- R7. And with thy spirit.

Then he reads the Offertory, and taking the paten with the Host, says:

Suscipe, sancte Pater, omnipotents, sterne Deus, hanc immaculatam Hostlam, quam ego indignus famulus tuus offero tibi, Deo meo vivo et vero, pro innumerabilibus peccatis, et offensionibus, et negligentiis meis, et pro omnibus dircumstantibus; sed et pro omnibus fidelibus Christianis, visa atque defunctis; ut mihi et illis proficiat ad salutem in vitam seternam. Amen.

Accept, O,holy Father, almighty, eternal God, this immaculate Host, which I, thy unworthy servant, offer unto thee, my living and true God, for my innumerable sins, offences, and negligences, and for all here present; as also for all faith-ful Christians, both living, and dead, that it may be profitable for my own and for their salvation unto life eternal. Amen.

Pouring wine and water into the chalice, he says:

Deus, + qui humanæ substantiæ dignitatem mirabiliter condidisti, et mirabilius reformasti; da nobis per hujus aque et vini mysterium, ejus divinitatis esse consortes, qui humanitatis nostræ fieri dignatus est particeps, Jesus Christus, FiO God, + who in creating human nature, didat wonderfully dignify it, and hast still more wonderfully renewed it; grant that, by the mystery of this water and wine, we may be made partakers of his divinity who youghaded to become



Father, possess you the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

Prayer at the Sermon.

I will hear what the Lord will say unto me.
O Jesus, light of the world, enlighten my understanding, that I may understand thy word; and cleanse my heart, that it may bring forth the fruits of the same.

At the Creed.

I firmly believe-because God who is Infallible Truth hath so revealed it to the Holy Catholic Church, and through the Church to us-I firmly believe that there is one only God, in Three Divine Persons, equal and distinct, whose names are Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: that the Son became man, and through the operation of the Holy Spirit took flesh and a human soul in the womb of the most pure Virgin Mary, died for us upon the cross, rose again, ascended into heaven, and will come from thence at the end of the world to judge all the living and dead, to give paradise to the good, and hell to the wicked, for ever; and furthermore, upon the same motive, I believe every thing that the Holy Church believes and teaches. In this faith and for this faith I desire to live and die. Grant, O Lord, that my life may be conformable with my faith, that my faith may be animated by good works, that I may never be ashamed to declare myself a Catholic, and may constantly maintain the interests of thy holy religion. Draw closer to me, Lord, the bonds that bind me to thy Holy Church; put into my heart a spirit of perfect obedience to its lawful pastors. In its bosom I became thy child, and in its bosom I desire to live and die. Amen.

During the Offertory.

I adore thee, O my God; and, in union with the priest, offer thee this sacrifice, for thy honour and glory, in thanksgiving for all the benefits conferred

lius tuus, Dominus noster: qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia secula seculorum. Amen. partaker of our humanity, Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of, &c.

Offering up the chalice, he says:

Offerimus tibi, Domine, calicem salutaris, tuam deprecantes elementiam, ut in conspectu divina Majestatis tuæ, pro nostra et totus mundi salute cum odore suavitatis ascendat. Amen.

We offer unto thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching they elemency, that, in the sight of thy divine Majesty, it may ascend with the odour of sweetness, for our salvation, and for that of the whole world, Amen.

Bowing down, he says:

In spiritu humilitatis, et in auimo contrito, suscipiamur a te, Domine, et sic fiat sacrificium nostrum in conspectu tuo hodie, ut placeat tibi, Domine Deus. In the spirit of humflity, and with a contrite heart, let us be received by thee, O Lord; and grant that the secrifice we offer in thy sight this day may be pleasing to thee, O Lord God.

Elevating his eyes and stretching out his hands, he says:

Veni, sanctificator, omnipotens seterne Deus, et bene-l-dic hoc sacrificium, tuo sancto nomini præparatum. Come, O sanctifier, almighty, eternal God, and bless + this sacrifice, prepared to thy holy name.

At High Mass, he blesses the incense:

Per intercessionem beati Michaeils archangeli, stantis a dextris altaris incensi, et omnium electorum suorum, incensum istud dignetur Dominus benedicere, et in odorem suavitatis accipere. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen. May the Lord, by the intercession of blessed Michael the archangel, standing at the right hand of the altar of incense, and of all his elect, vouchsafe to bless this incense, and receive it as an odour of sweetness. Through, &c. Amen.

He incenses the bread and wine, saying:

Incensum istud a te benedictum ascendat ad te, Domine, et descendat super nos misericordia tua. May this incense which thou hast blessed, O Lord, ascend to thee, and may thy mercy descend up 1 us.

Then he incenses the Altar, saying:

Dirigatur, Domine, oratio measicut incensum in conspectu tuo: elevatio manuum measum sacrifi-

Let my prayer, O Lord, ascend like incense in thy sight: and the lifting up of my hands be as an

upon myself and upon the whole world; and in satisfaction for my many sins, and the sins of other men. Accept, O Lord, of this holocaust, which is no other than thy divine Son, at once made priest and victim, offering and offerer, and apply his saving merits to my needy soul. Be comforted, O my heart, Jesus sacrifices himself for thee.

O my Lord Jesus Christ, in remembrance and praise of thy boundless love, with which thou didst give thyself wholly to us upon the altar of the cross, behold I offer unto these this day this present accrifice of the Mass, together with all those which are celebrated throughout the world, by the hands of thy priests, to be presented to thy eternal Father, in union with, and in the virtue of, that oblation in which thou thyself, dying on the cross, didst offer thy accred body and blood for the salvation of the world.

Grant that the oblation of the same thy body and blood, which here is renewed in mystery, and is made under the form of bread and wine, may effectually obtain its proper fruit; that thereby the living may receive grace, and the faithful departed, everlasting

rest.

Accept, also, O Lord, this same sacrifice, which contains in itself the fruit of thy passion and death, as an act of thanksgiving for the innumerable benefits theu hast conferred upon us, and a propitiation and satisfaction for the countless sins we have committed, the good we have emitted to do, and the punishments we have deserved. Who livest, &c.

Or.

O eternal Father, who wast pleased to institute this most holy sacrifice of the new law, wherein thy only-begotten Son might be offered to thee; I offer the same to thy divine Majesty, and in union therewith I offer myself, and all that of thy bounty thou hast bestowed upon me. Look upon me, and have mercy upon me. Amen.

cium vespertinum. Pone, Domine, custodiam ori meo, et ostium circumstantius labiis meis, ut non declinet cor meum in verba malitiæ, ad excusandas excusationes in peccatis. evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a door round about my lips, that my heart may not incline to evil words, to make excuses in sins.

Giving the censer to the Deacon, he says:

Accendat in nobis Dominus ignem sui amoris, et flammam æternæ caritatis. Amen. May the Lord enkindle in us the fire of his love, and the flame of everlasting charity. Amen.

Washing his fingers, he recites the following:

Lavabo inter innocentes manus meas: et circumdabo altare tuum, Domine. Ut audiam vocem laudis: et enarrem universa mirabilia tua. Domine, dilexi decorem domus tuze, et locum habitationis glorie tuze. Ne perdas cum implis, Deus, animam meam: et cum viris sanguinum vitam meam. In quorum manibus iniquitates sunt: dextera corum repleta est muneribus. Ego autem in innocentia mea ingressus sum: redime me, et miserere mei. Pes meus stetit in directo: in ecclesiis benedicam te, Domine, Gloria, &c.

I will wash my hands among the innocent: and will encompass thy altar, O Lord. That I may hear the voice of praise, and tell of all thy marvellous works. I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of thy house, and the place where thy glory dwelleth. Take not away my soul, O God, with the wicked, nor my life with bloody men. In whose hands are iniquities: their right hand is filled with gifts. As for me, I have walked in my innocence: redeem me, and have mercy upon me. My foot hath stood in the right path: in the churches I will bless thee, O Lord. Glory, &c.

Bowing before the Altar, he says:

Suscipe, sancta Trinitas, hanc oblationem quam tibi offerimus ob memoriam Passionis, Resurrectionis, et Ascensionis Jesu Christi Domini nostri: et in honorem beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis, et beati Joannis Baptistæ, et sanctorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, et istorum et omnium Sanctorum: ut illis proficiat ad honorem, nobis autem ad salutem: et illi pro nobis intercedere dignentur in cells, quorum memoriam agimus in terris. Per eundem.

Receive, O Holy Trinity, this oblation, which we make to thee, in memory of the Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in honour of the blessed Mary ever Virgin, of blessed John Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, of these and of all the Saints: that it may be available to their honour and our salvation: and may they vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we celebrate on earth. Through, &c.

Turning to the people, he says:

Orate, fratres, ut meum ac vestrum sacrificium acceptabile fiat apud Deum Patrem omnipotentem,

Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty. Sin hath made us the enemies of our God, but Jesus Christ, by his death, hath reconciled us with his divine Father. It is in the Sacred Heart that this reconciliation is accomplished. O my soul, how Jesus Christ hath loved us! At what a price he hath redeemed us! Not with gold, nor with riches, but by the voluntary shedding of his blood. He hath sacrificed himself for us: let us, then, live only for him, let us sacrifice ourselves together with him.

Thou willest, O Jesus, that I should be a victim of love, wholly consecrated to thy Divine Heart: it is my most arcent desire. Thy benefits are numberless; thou hast broken the bonds of my servitude; thou hast adopted me for thy child; thou hast admitted me to thy table; thou hast given me a place in thy Divine Heart; and even yet, for all my continual prevarications, thou preparest me an everlasting blessedness: how could I ever forget so many benefits! I will publish thy mercies, and will never cease to love thee with all the fervour of my heart. But, O my God, my heart is not full enough of love and fervour to be an offering worthy of thee. What, then, shall I give thee? I will give thee thy Son. That Son, the most worthy object of thy complacency, will supply my inability. O Lord, look not on me, but on this divine offering.

At the Lavabo.

O my Jesus, would that I could take thee to witness of the holiness of my life and the innocence of my heart! But it is in thy mercy only that I place my hope; my consolation is in meditating on thy promises to the penitent heart, and thy faithfulness in performing them: confounded at all that I have committed to this day, and encouraged by the favours which thou hast bestowed upon me, I can but promise to correspond better with thy graces than I have hitherto done. I will purify myself more and more with team of penitence; I will bless thee as I do this

B7. Suscipiat Dominus sacrificium de manibus tuis, ad laudem et gloriam nominis sui, ad utilitatem quoque nostram, totiusque Ecclesia sua sancta.

B7. May the Lord receive the sacrifice from thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, to our benefit, and to that of all his holy Church.

He then recites the Secret Prayers.

Which being finished, he says in an audible voice:

V. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

B7. Amen. Y. Dominus vobiscum: Ry. Et cum spiritu tuo.

V. Sursum corda. R7. Habemus ad Dominum.

V. Gratias agamus Domino Deo nostri. R7. Dignum et justum est.

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere, Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, æterne Deus. Per Christum Dominum nostrum : per quem Majestatem tuam laudant angeli, adorant dominationes, tremunt potestates, cœli cœlorumque virtutes, ac beata seraphim, socia exultatione concelebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces, ut admitti jubeas deprecamur, supplici confessione dicentes: Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth, Pleni sunt oœli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

W. World without end.

R7. Amena

Y. The Lord be with you.

Ry. And with thy spirit.

Y. Lift up your hearts.

Ry. We have them lifted up unto

the Lord. Y. Let us give thanks to the

Lord our God.

R7. It is meet and just.

It is truly meet and just, right and salutary, that we should always, and in all places, give thanks to thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, eternal God. Through Christ our Lord: through whom the angels praise thy Majesty, the dominations adore, the powers do hold in awe, the heavens, and the virtues of the heavens, and the blessed seraphim, do celebrate with united joy. In union with whom, we beseech thee that thou wouldest command our voices also to be admitted with suppliant confession, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

CANON OF THE MASS.

Te igitur, clementissime Pater. ner Jesum Christum Filium tuum Dominum nostrum, supplices rogamus ac petimus uti accepta habeas et benedicas hæc + dona, hæc + munera, hæc + sancta sacrificia illibata, in primis, que tibi offeri-

We therefore humbly pray and beseech thee, most merciful Father, through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord [he kisses the Altar], that thou wouldst vouchsafe to accept and bless these + gifts, these + presents, these + holy unspotted day; and I will sing of the wonders of thy power and of thy mercy.

At the Suscipe.

O most holy and adorable Trinity, vouchsafe to receive this our sacrifice in remembrance of our Saviour's passion, resurrection, and glorious ascension: and grant that we may die with him to our sins, rise with him to a new life, and ascend with him to thee. Let those saints, whose memory we celebrate on earth, remember us before thy throne in heaven and obtain mercy for us, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At the Orate, fratres.

The creature can offer nothing to the Creator that can be worthy of his acceptance; I unite myself, therefore, to the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, which can alone merit any thing in my behalf. I desire nothing but through him and with him. I have no wish beyond him. O God of mercy, I seek nothing but thy love. Graciously accept of the sacrifice of my heart and of my whole self, and may it, like the sacrifice of Jesus, be pleasing to thee and unite us to him.

At the Secreta.

Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, and graciously accept this oblation which we thy servants make to thee; and as we offer it to the honour of thy name, so may it be to us here a means of obtaining thy grace, and life everlasting hereafter. Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Or, for a Saint's Day.)

Sanctify, O Lord, we beseech thee, these gifts which we offer thee in this solemnity of thy holy servant N., and so strengthen us by thy grace, that both in prosperity and adversity our ways may be ever directed to thy honour. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the Preface.

Lift up, O Lord, do thou thyself lift up my heart

mus pro Beclesia tua sancta Catholica: quam pacificare, custodire, adunare, et regere digneris toto orbe terrarum, una cum famulo tuo Papa nostra N., et Antistite nostro N., et omnibus orthodoxis, atque Catholicæ et Apostolicæ Fidei cultoribus. samifaces, which, in the first place, we offer thee for thy holy Catholic Church, to which vouchsafe to grant peace: as also to protect, unite, and govern it throughout the world, together with thy servant N. our Pope, N. our Bishop, as also all orthodox believers and professors of the Catholic and Apostolic Patit.

COMMEMORATION OF THE LIVING.

Memento, Domine, famulorum. famularumque tuarum, N. et N. Be mindful, O Lord, of thy servants, men and women, N. and N.

He pauses, and prays silently for those he untends to pray for, and proceeds:

Et omnium circumstantium, quorum tibi fides cognita est, ets nota devotio: pro quibus tibi offerimus, vel qui tibi offerint hoc sacrificium laudis, pro se, suisque omnibus, pro redemptione animarum suarum, pro spe salutis et incolumitatis suse: tibique reddunt vota sua, esterno Deo, vivo et vero.

Communicantes, et memoriam venerantes, imprimis gloriose semper Virginis Mariæ, Genitricis Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi: sed et beatorum Apostolorum ac Martyrum tuorum, Petri et Pauli, Andreæ, Jacobi, Joannis, Thomæ, Jacobi, Philippi, Bartholomæi, Matthæi, Simonis et Thaddæi; Lini, Cleti, Clementis, Xysti, Cornelii, Cypriani, Laurentii, Chrysogoni, Joannis et Pauli, Cosmæ et Damiani, et omnium Sanctorum tuorum; quorum meritis precibusque concedas, ut in omnibus protectionis tuæ muniamur auxilio. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

And of all here present, whose faith and devotion are known unto thee; for whom we offer, or who offer up to thee, this sacrifice of praise for themselves, their families and friends, for the redemption of their souls, for the hope of their safety and salvation, and who pay their vows to thee, the eternal, living, and true God.

Communicating with, and honouring in the first place the memory of the glorious and ever Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord and God Jesus Christ; as also of the blessed Apostles and Martyrs. Peter and Paul, Andrew, James. John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddens, Linus, Cletus, Clement. Xystus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John Paul, Cosmas and Damian, and of all thy Saints; by whose merits and prayers grant that we may be always defended by the belp of thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Spreading his hands over the oblation, he says:

Hanc igitur oblationem servitutis nostre, sed et cunctæ familiæ tuæ, quæsumus, Domine, ut placatus accipias; diesque nostros in tua pace disponas, atque ab

We therefore beseech thee, O Lord, graciously to accept this oblation of our service, as also of thy whole family; dispose our days in thy peace, command us to be de-

to thee. Take from it all unholy thoughts, all earthly affections. Lift it wholly up to heaven, where thou art worthily adored, and to the altar, where thou art about to manifest thyself to me. My life is but one continual succession of thy mercies; let it be one continual succession of thanksgivings: and as thou art now about to renew the greatest of all sacrifices, is it not meet that I should burst forth in expressions of heartfelt gratitude? Suffer me, then, to join my feeble voice with the voices of all the heavenly spirits, and in union with them to say, in a transport of joy and admiration,

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD OF SABAOTH. HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF THY GLORY. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AT THE CANON.

O eternal and most merciful Father, behold, we come to offer thee our homage this day: we desire to adore, praise, and glorify thee, and to give thee thanks for thy great glory, joining our hearts and voices with all thy blessed in heaven, and with thy whole Church upon earth. But acknowledging our great unworthiness and innumerable sins, for which we are heartily sorry and humbly beg thy pardon, we dare not venture to approach thee otherwise than in company of thy Son, our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ, whom thou hast given us to be both our High Priest and Sacrifice. With him, therefore, and through him, we venture to offer thee this sacrifice; to his most sacred intentions we desire to unite ours; and with this offering which he makes of himself, we desire to make an offering of our whole being to thee. With him, and through him, we beseech thee to exalt thy holy Catholic Church, throughout the whole world; to maintain her in peace, unity, holiness, and truth;

æterna damnatione nos eripi, et in electorum tuorum jubeas grege numerari. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Quam oblationem, tu Deus, in omnibus, quæsumus benedic+tam. adscrip+tam, ra+tam, rationabilem, acceptabilemque facere digneris; ut nobis cor+pus et san+ guis fiat dilectissimi Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi.

Qui pridie quam pateretur, accepit panem in sanctas ac venerabiles manus suas, et elevatis oculis in cœlum, ad te Deum Patrem suum omnipotentem: tibi gratias agens, benedixit, fregit deditque discipulis suis, dicens : Accivite. et manducate ex hoc omnes; HOC EST ENIM CORPUS MEUM.

livered from eternal damnation. and to be numbered in the flock of thy elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Which oblation do thou, O God, vouchsafe in all things to make blessed, approved, ratified, reasonable, and acceptable, that it may become to us the body + and + blood of thy most beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Who the day before he suffered took bread [he takes the Host] into his holy and venerable hands [he raises his eyes to heaven l, and with his eyes lifted up towards heaven. to God, his almighty Father, giving thanks to thee, did bless, break, and give to his disciples, saying: Take, and eat ye all of this; FOR THIS IS MY BODY.

After pronouncing the words of consecration, the Priest, kneeling, adores the sacred Host, and rising, he elevates it.

(At the Elevation, the bell is rung thrice.)

Simili modo postquam cœnatum est, accipiens et hunc præclasum calicem in sanctas ac venerabiles manus suas, item tibi gratias agens, bene+dixit, deditque discipulis suis, dicens : Accipite et bibite ex eo omnes: HIC EST ENIM CALIX SANGUINIS MEI NOVI BY ÆTERNI TESTAMENTI; MYBTE-RIUM FIDEI; QUI PRO VOBIS ET PRO MULTIS EFFUNDETUR IN REMISSIONEM PECCATORUM.

Heec quotiescunque fecerities in mei memoriam facietis.

In like manner, after he had supped [he takes the chalice in both his hands], taking also this excellent chalice into his holy and venerable hands, and giving thee thanks, he bless+ed, and gave to his disciples. saying: Take, and drink ye all of this; FOR THIS IS THE CHA-LICE OF MY BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL TESTAMENT; THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, TO THE REMISSION OF SINS.

As often as ye do these things. ve shall do them in remembrance of me:

Kneeling, he adores, and rising, elevates the chalice.

Unde et memores, Domine, nos servi tui, sed et plebs tua sancta, ejusdem Christi Filii tui Domini nostri tam beatæ passionis, necnon et ab inferis resurrectionis. sed et in coelos glerioses ascensionis : offerimus præclaræ Majestati tuze, de tuis donis ao datis,

Wherefore, O Lord, we thy servants, as also thy holy people, calling to mind the blessed passion of the same Christ thy Son our Lord, his resurrection from hell, and glorious ascension into heaven, offer unto thy most excellent Majesty, of thy gifts and grants, a pure + Host,

to have mercy on thy servant N. our chief bishop, N. to have mercy on thy servant N. our chief bishop, N. our prelate, and on all that truly fear thee; on our pastor [parents, children], friends, and benefactors, &c.; on all those whom we have in any way scandalised, injured, or offended, or for whom we are in any other way bound to pray; on all that are in their agony, or under violent temptations, or other necessities, corporal or spiritual; on all our enemies; and, in a word, on all poor sinners; that we may all be expressed to these and find recovery. Christ thy Son; through whom we hope one day to be admitted into the company of all thy saints and elect, whose memory we here celebrate, whose prayers we desire, and with whom we communicate in these holy mysteries.

When the Priest spreads his hands over the Oblation. (Here the bell is rung.)

Give ear, we beseen thee, to the prayers of thy servant, who is here appointed to make this oblation

servant, who is here appointed to make this oblation in our behalf: and grant it may be effectual for the obtaining of all those blessings which he asks for us. Behold, O Lord, we all here present to thee, in this bread and wine, the symbols of our perfect union. Grant, O Lord, that they may be made for us the true body and blood of thy dear Son; that, being consecrated to thee by this holy Victim, we may live in thy service, and depart this life in thy grace.

At the Consecration

Bow down your body and soul in solemn adoration; make an act of faith in the real presence of your Saviour's body and blood, soul and divinity, under the sacramental veils. Offer your whole self to him, and through him to his Father: beg that your heart and sout may be happily changed into him.

> At the Elevation of the Host. ' (Here the bell is rung thrice.)

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, which

Hostiam + puram, Hostiam + sanctam, Hostiam + immaculatam, panem + sanctum vitæ æternæ_l et calicem + salutis perpetuæ. a holy + Host, an immaculate + Host, the holy + bread of eternal life, and the chalice + of everlasting salvation.

Extending his hands, he proceeds:

Supra que propitio ac sereno vultu respicere digneris, et accepta habere, sicuti accepta habere dignatus es munera pueri tui justi Abel, et sacrificium Patriarches nostri Abrahæ; et quod tibi obtulit summus sacerdos tuus Melchisedech, sanctum sacrificium, immaculatam hostiam.

Upon which vouchsafe to look with a propitious and serene countenance, and to accept them, as thou wert graciously pleased to accept the gifts of thy just servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our Patriarch Abraham, and that which thy high priest Melchisedech offered to thee, a holy sacrifice, an immaculate host,

Bowing down, he says:

Supplices te rogamus, omnipotens Deus, jube hae perferri per manus sancti angeli tui in sublime altare tuum, in conspectu divinæ Majestatis tuæ, ut quotquot ex hao altaris participatione, sacrosanctum Filii tui corpus + et + sanguinem sumpserimus, omni benedictione cœlesti et gratia repleamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Memento etiam, Domine, famulorum famularumque tuarum N. ct N., qui nos præcesserunt cum signo fidei, et dormiunt in somno pacis. We most humbly besech thee, almighty God, command these things to be carried by the hands of thy holy angel to thy altar on high, in the sight of thy divine Majesty, that as many of us [*k* isses the Altar] as, by participation at this Altar, shall receive the most sacred body + and + blood of thy Son, may be filled with all heavenly benediction and grace. Through the same Christ, &c. Amen.

Be mindful, O Lord, of thy servants and handmaids N. and N., who are gone before us, with the sign of faith, and sleep in the sleep of peace.

He prays for such of the Dead as he intends to pray for.

Ipsis, Domine, et omnibus in Christo quiescentibus, locum refrigerii, lucis et pacis, ut indulgeas, deprecamur. Per eundem Christum, &c. Amen. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here, striking his breast and slightly raising his voice, he says:

Nobis quoque peccatoribus famulis tuis, de multitudine miserationum tuarum sperantibus, partem-aliquam et societatem donare digneris, cum tuis sanctis apostolis et martyribus: cum Joanne, SteAnd to us sinners, thy servants, hoping in the multitude of thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy apostles and martyrs; with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ig-

didst truly suffer and wast immolated on the cross for man, whose side was pierced, and flowed with water and with blood; may we have a foretaste of thee in the last agony of death. O kind, O loving one, Jesus, Son of Mary, have mercy on me! Amen.

Or.

Hail, saving Victim, incarnate Word, sacrificed for me and all mankind! Hail, precious Body of the Son of God! Hail, sacred Flesh, torn with nails, pierced with a lance, and bleeding on a cross for us sinners! O amazing goodness! O infinite love! Oh, my iniquities be here effaced, let my soul be cleansed from all its defilements. Lord, I believe in thee; I hope in thee; I love thee. To thee be honour, praise, and glory, from all creatures, for ever and ever. Amen.

At the Elevation of the Chalice.

(Here also the bell is rung thrice.)

Saviour of the world, save us; for by thy cross and by thy blood thou hast redeemed us; help us, we beseech thee, O our God. Amen.

Have mercy on me, dear Jesus, and grant that thy blood may not be shed in vain for me, I most humbly

beseech thee. Amen.

Hail, sacred Blood, flowing from the wounds of Jesus Christ, and washing away the sins of the world! O, cleanse, sanctify, and preserve my soul, that nothing in future may ever separate me from thee. Behold, O eternal Father, thy holy Jesus, and look upon the face of thy Christ, in whom thou art well pleased. Hear the voice of his blood crying out to thee, not for vengeance, but for mercy and pardon. Accept this divine oblation, and, through the infinite merits of all the sufferings that Jesus endured on the cross for our salvation, be pleased to look upon us, and upon all thy people, with an eye of mercy.

phano, Matthia, Barmaba, Ignatio, Alexandro, Marcellino, Petro, Felicitate, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucia, Agnete, Cæcilia, Anastasia, et omnibus sanctis tuis : intra quorum nos consortium, non æstimator meriti, sed venise, qusesumus, largitor admitte. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

Per quem hæc omnia, Domine, semper bona creas, sancti+ficas, vivi+ficas, bene+dicis, et præstas nobis. Per ip+sum, et cum ip+so, et in ip+so, est tibi Deo Patri+ omnipotenti, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, omnis honor et gloria,

V. Per omnia secula seculorum.

R7. Amen.

Præceptis salutaribus moniti, et divina institutione formati, audemus dicere :

Pater noster, qui es in cœlis, sanctificetur nomen tuum: adveniat regnum tuum: flat voluntas tua sicut in cœlo, et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie : et dimitte nobis debita nostra. sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.

M. Sed libera nos a malo.

He then says in a loud voice "Amen," and continues: Libera nos, quæsumus, Domine, ab omnibus mais, præteritis, præsentibus, et futuris: et intercedente beata et gloriosa semper Virgine Dei Genitrice Maria, cum beatis Apostolis tuis Petro et Paulo. atque Andrea, et omnibus Sanctis. da propitius pacem in diebus nostris: ut ope misericordise tuse adjuti, et a peccato simus semper liberi, et ab omni perturbatione securi. Per eundem Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus.

natius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecily, Anastasia, and with all thy Saints: into whose company we beseech thee to admit us, not considering our merit, but freely pardoning our offences. Through Christ our Lord.

By whom, O Lord, thou dost always create, sanctify, + quicken, + bless, + and give us all these good things. Through him, + and with him, + and in him, + is to thee, God the Father + Almighty, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory.

Y. For ever and ever.

R7. Amen.

Instructed by thy saving precepts, and following thy divine institution, we presume to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come; and by the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary ever Virgin, Mother of God, together with thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and Andrew, and all the Saints [making the sign of the Cross on himself with the paten, he kisses it, and says], mercifully grant peace in our days; that by the assistance of thy mercy we may be always free from sin. and secure from all disturbance. Through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Who with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth God.

Then he says aloud:

y. Per omnia secula seculo-W. World without end. rum.

At the Memento for the Dead.

I offer thee again, O Lord, this holy sacrifice of the body and bleed of thy only Son, in behalf of the faithful departed, and in particular for the souls of [here name whom you chiefly propose to pray for] my parents [if dead], relatives, benefactors, neighbours, &c. Likewise of such as I have any ways injured, or been the occasion of their sins; of such as have injured me, and been my enemies; of such as die in war, or have none to pray for them. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseed thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

At the Nobis quoque peccatoribus.

Vouchsafe to grant the same to us, poor and miserable ainners: judge us not according to our demerits; but through the infinite multitude of thy mercies, in which we hope, liberally extend to us thy grace and pardon.

We ask it of thee in the name of thy dear Son, who liveth and reigneth eternally with thee, and in that form of prayer which he himself hath taught us.

At the Pater Noster.

O our Father, who reignest in heaven, come and reign in my soul, come and sanctify it by thy presence; come and subject it to thy holy will, and render it obedient to the inspirations of thy grace. Extinguish in my heart every feeling of hatred and revenge; forgive me as I forgive. Grant to me such wisdom and such strength that I may triumph over all temptations. Deliver me from all those evils which oppress me, and under which I groan, being burdened. I come to thee, as a child to his father, to be fed; as a subject to his prince, to be protected; as one afflicted, to his only succour, to be consoled and comforted.

Thou, O ineffable God, art our Father. Our

R7. Amen.

V. Pax + Domini sit + semper vobis+cum.

R7. Et cum spiritu tuo.

R7. Amen.

y. May the peace of the + Lord be + always with + you.

R7. And with thy spirit.

In a low voice:

Hee commixtio et consecratio corporis et sanguinis Domini nostri Jesu Christi fiat accipientibus nobis in vitam æternam. Amen. May this mixture and consecration of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ be to us that receive it effectual to eternal life. Amen.

? Striking his breast three times, he says:

Agnus Del, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis (twice).

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti Apostolis tuis, Pacem relinque pobis, pacem meam do vobis; ne respicias peccata mea, sed fidem Ecclesiæ tuæ; eamque secundum voluntatem tuam pacificare et coadunare digneris: qui vivis et regnas Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Domine Jesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, qui ex voluntate Patris, cooperante Spiritu Sancto, per mortem tuam mundum vivificasti; libera me per hoe sacrosanctum
corpus et sanguinem tuum ab omnibus iniquitatibus meis, et universis malis, et fac me tuis semper
inhærere mandatis, et a te nunquam separari permittas: qui cum
eodem Deo Patre et Spiritu Sancto
vivis et regnas Deus in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

Perceptio corporis tui, Domine Jesu Christe, quod ego indignus sumere præsume, non mihi proveniat in judicium et condemnationem; sed pro tua pietate prosit mihi ad tutamentum mentis et corporis, et ad medelam percipiendam. Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre, in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus per omnia seconia seconiorum. Amen.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us (twice).

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, who saidst to thy Apostles: Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; regard not my sins, but the faith of thy Church; and vouchsafe to it that peace and unity which is agreeable to thy will; who livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, according to the will of the Father, through the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, hast by thy death given life to the world; deliver me by this, thy most sacred body and blood, from all my iniquities and from all evils; and make me always adhere to thy commandgenets, and never suffer me to be separated from thee; who with the same God the Father and Holy Ghost livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

Let not the participation of thy body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I, unworthy, presume to receive, turn to my judgment and condemnation: but through thy goodness may it be to me a safeguard and remedy, both of soul and body. Who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest God for ever and ever. Amen.

Father, because thou hast created us with so much love. Our Father, because thou hast redeemed us with so much blood. Our Father, because thou dost preserve us by thy omnipotence. Deal with us, O Lord, as thy children; and grant that we may truly reverence thee as our Father. Endow us, we beseen thee, with grace to seek only thy glory, as becomes the children of so good a Pacent. We were created by thee, we are governed by thee. O grant that we may live only for thee.

At the Libera nos.

Deliver us, we beseech thee, O Lord, from all evils past, present, and to come; and by the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, and of all the saints, mercifully grant peace in our days, that by the assistance of thy holy grace we may be always free from ain and secure from all disturbance.

At the Pax Domini.

Thy body was broken, and thy blood shed for us: grant that the commemoration of this holy mystery may obtain for us peace; and that those who receive it may find everlasting rest.

O Lamb of God, pure and spotless victim, who only canst satisfy the justice of an offended God, vouchsafe to make me partaker of the ments of thy sacrifice. What lessons of humility, meckness, charity, and patience dost thou not give me! Impress these virtues upon my heart, that it may be to thee a pleasant habitation, wherein thou mayest repose as in an abode of peace.

After the Agnus Dei.

In saying to thy Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; thou hast promised, O Lord, to all thy Church, that peace which the world cannot give—peace with thee, and peace with ourselves.

Let nothing, O Lord, ever interrupt this holy peace;

Making a genuflection, the Priest rises and says:

Panem cœlestem accipiam, et nomen Domini invocabo.

I will take the bread of heaven. and call upon the name of the Lord.

Then striking his breast, and raising his voice a little, he says three times:

Domine, non sum dignus ut intres sub tectum meum; sed tamtum dic verbo, et sanabitur anima mes.

Lord. I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof; say but the word, and my soul shall be healed.

After which he says:

Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi oustodiat animam meam in vitam seternam. Amen.

May the body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to life everlasting. Amen.

He then receives the sacred Host, and after a short pause, says:

Quid retribuam Domino pro omnfbus quæ retribuit mihi? Calicem salutaris accipiam, et nomen Domini invocabo. Laudans invo-

What shall I render to the Lord for all he hath rendered unto me? I will take the chalice of salvation. and call upon the name of the cabo Dominum, et ab inimicis meis Lord. Praising I will call upon salvus ero. the Lord, and I shall be saved from my enemies.

Receiving the chalice, he says:

Sanguis Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam meam in vitam æternam. Amen.

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to everlasting life. Amen.

(Those who are to communicate go up to the Sanctuary at the Domine, non sum dignus, when the bell rings: the Acolyth spreads a cloth before them. and says the Confiteor.

Then the Priest, turning to the communicants, pronounces the Absolution.

Misereatur vestri, &c. Indulgentiam, absolutionem, &c.

May Almighty God have mercy. &c. May the almighty and merciful Lord, &c.

Elevating a particle of the Blessed Sacrament, and turning towards the people, he says: `

Roce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccata mundi.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sins of the world.

And then repeats three times, Domine, non sum dignus, &c.

let nothing separate us from thee, to whom we heartily desire to be united, through the blessed sacrament of peace and reconciliation. Let this food of angels strengthen us in every Christian duty, so as never more to yield under temptations, or fall into our common weaknesses.

O my good God, and sweet Saviour Jesus, who art present here for my sake, and givest thyself to me for daily food, and for the supply of all my necessities; since without thee, who art the true food of my soul, I cannot live, I humbly beseech thee to refresh me spiritually, and make me partaker of that grace which they experience who devoutly receive thee. O good Jesus, despise me not, but vouchsafe to visit thy servant, and by thy grace to work and perfect all the effects and virtues of thy holy sacrament in me, to thy honour, O my God, and the eternal salvation of my soul. Amen.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me; Body of Christ, save me; Blood of Christ, inebriate me; Water out of the side of Christ, wash me; Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me, hide me within thy wounds; suffer me not to be separated from thee; defend me from the malignant enemy; at the hour of my death call me, and bid me come unto thee, that with thy saints I may praise thee for all eternity.

Amen.

At the Domine, non sum dignus.

God only can be worthy of receiving God; how, then, can a soul so sinful as mine merit so great a happiness! But thou, O Lord, regardest not thy greatness, but thy mercy. Thou willest that I come to thee, as one sick to the physician who can heal him, as one poor to the rich lord who can assist him. O God of love, behold at thy feet the poorest, the most infirm of thy creatures. Unite me to thyself, and I shall become rich and whole in thy sight.

He then administers the Holy Communion, saying to each:

Corpus Domini nostri Jesu May the body of our Lord Jesus Christi custodiat animam tuem in Carist preserve thy soul to life witam eternam. Amen. everlasting. Amen.)

Taking the first ablution, he says:

Quod ore sumpsimus, Domine, pura mente capiamus; et de munere temporali fiat nobis remedium sempiternum. Grant, Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth we may receive with a pure mind; and of a temporal gift may it become to us an eternal remedy.

Taking the second ablution, he says:

Corpus tuum, Domine, quod sumpsi, et sanguis quiem potavi, adhæreat visceribus meis: et præsta, ut in me non remaneat solierum; macula, quem pura et sancta refecerunt sacramenta. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

May thy body, O Lord, which I have received, and thy blood which I have drunk, cleave to my bo wels; and grant that no stain of sin may remain in me, who have been refreshed with pure and holy sagmements. Who livest, &c. Amen.

He then wipes the chalice, which he covers; and having folded the corporal, places it on the Altor, as at first; he then reads the Communion.

Then he turns to the people, and says:

W. Dominus vobiscum. By. Et cum spiritu tuo. V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

Then he reads the Post-Communions.

Afterwards he turns again towards the people, and says:

▼. Dominus vobiscum.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Ite, missa est.

R7. Deo gratias.

V. The Lord be with you.

Ry. And with thy spirit. Go, the Mass is ended.

Ry. Thanks be to God.

Bowing down before the Altar, he says:

Placeat tibi, sancta Trinitas, obsequium servitutis mee; et præsta ut sacrificium quod oculis tuze Majestatis indignus obtait, tibi sit acceptabile, minique, et omnibus proquibus illud obtait, sit, te miserante, proptitabile. Par Christum Dominum nostrum. Amez. O holy Trinity, let the perform ance of my homage be pleasing to thee; and grant that the sacrific which I, unworthy, have offere up in the sight of thy Majesty may be acceptable to thee, and through thy mercy be a propietistion for me, and all those for whom I have offered it. Through Chris our Lord. Amen. Work, I beseech thee, this miracle, worthy of thy omnipotence and charity.

While the Priest communicates.

O sacred banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of his passion is renewed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us!

Grant, O Lord Jesus, that we may so reverence the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, that we may ever find in ourselves the fruits of thy redemption. Amen.

Act of Spiritual Communion for those who do not intend to communicate.

O my most loving Saviour, since I cannot have the happiness of receiving thee this day, suffer me to gather up the precious crumbs that fall from thy table, and to unite myself to thy divine heart by faith, hope, and charity. I confess I do not deserve the children's bread; but I venture humbly to declare that, away from thee, my soul is dried up with thirst, and my heart cast down with faintness. Come, then, into me, O my divine Jesus! come into my mind, to illuminate it with thy light; come into my heart, to enkindle in it the fire of thy love, and to unite it so intimately with thy own, that it may be no more I that live, but thou that livest in me, and reignest in me for ever.

Prayer during the Ablutions.

Grant us, O Lord, a part in the fruits of thy death and passion, the sacred memory of which we have this day commemorated. I adore thy goodness, O gracious Lord, for thy inestimable favour in admitting me to be present again at that holy sacrifice where thou art both priest and victim. Oh, make me always sensible of so great a blessing, and let not my unworthiness put a bar to thy mercy and goodness.

Then he kisses the Altar, and raising his eyes, extending, raising, and joining his hands, he bows his head to the Cruciftx, and says:

Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus, Pater, et Filius, + et Spiritus Sanctus. Amen.

May almighty God, the Father, Son, + and Holy Ghost, bless you. Amen.

At the word "Deus," he turns towards the people, and makes the sign of the Cross on them. Then turning to the Cospel side of the Alter, he 8ays:

Br. Et cum spiritu tuo. V. The Lord be with you. Ry. And with thy spirit.

(The Benediction is omitted in Musses for the Dead.)

He then begins the Gospel according to St. John, saying:

S. Initium sancti Evangelii secundum Joannem.

M. Gloria tibi. Domine

In principio erat Verbum, et Verbum erat apud Deum ; et Deus erat Verbum: hoc erat in principio apud Deum. Omnia per ipsum facte sunt, et sine ipeo factum est nihil quod factum est: in ipso vita erat, et vita erat lux hominum : et lux in tenebris lucet, et tenebras cam non comprehende-

Fuit homo missus a Dec. cui nomen erat Joannes. Hic venit in testimonium, ut testimonium perhiberet de lumine, ut omnes crederent per illum. Non erat ille lux: sed ut testimonium perhiberet de lumine. Brat lux vera que illuminat omnem hominem venientem in hunc mundum.

In mundo erat, et mundus per ipsum factus est, et mundus eum non cognovit. In propria venit, et sui eum non receperant. Quotquot autem receperunt eum, dedit eis potestatem filios Dei fieri : his qui credunt in nomine ejus, qui non ex sanguinibus, neque ex voluntate carnis, neque ex voluntate viri, sed ex Deo nati sant. Er VERBUM CARO RACTUM EST [hic genustectitur], et habitavit in nobis: et vidimus gloriam ejus, glo-

P. The beginning of the holy Gospel according to St. John. R. Glory be to thee. O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God : the same was in the beginning with God. AH things were made by him, and without him was made nothing that was made: in him was life. and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in darkness. and the darkness did not compreshend it.

There was a man sent from God. whose name was John. This man came for a witness to give testimony of the light, that all men might believe through him. was not the light, but came to give testimony of the light. He was the true light which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them he gave power to become the sons of God ; to those that believe in his name. who are born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH [herthe people kneel down], and dwell

At the Communion.

Let it be now, O Lord, the effect of thy mercy, that we, who have been present at this holy mystery, may find the benefit of it in our souls.

Oh, how sweet, Lord, is thy spirit; who, to shew thy sweetness towards thy children, givest them the most delicious bread from heaven, and sendest the proud away empty.

At the Post-Communions.

Pour forth upon us, O Lord, the spirit of thy love, that, by thy mercy, thou mayest make those of one mind whom thou hast fed with one celestial food. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the same unity of the Holy Spirit, &c.

We give thee thanks, O God, for thy mercy, in admitting us to have a part in offering this sacrifice to thy holy name: accept it now to thy glory, and be

For a Saint's Day.

We have received heavenly mysteries, O Lord, in the commemoration of the blessed Mary ever Virgin, N., and all thy Saints; grant, we beseech thee, that what we celebrate in time, we may obtain in the joys of eternity. Through our Lord, &c.

At the Last Gospel.

O Eternal Word, speak to my soul, which adores thee in profound silence; thou who art the great creator of all things, abandon not, I beseech thee, thy own creature: be thou my life, my light, and my all. O Light Eternal, enlighten me as to this present life,

and in the life to come.

Reign in me as in thine own inheritance; for thou, O Lord, hast made me; thou hast redeemed me. May I be ever thine!

riam quasi Unigeniti a Patre, ple- among us; and we saw his glory, num gratiæ et veritatis.

as it were the glory of the Onlybegotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

R. Thanks be to God.

M. Deo gratias.

When a Feast falls on a Sunday, or other day which has a proper Gospel of its own, the Gospel of the day is read instead of the Gospel of St.

Let us pray.

We give thee thanks, almighty and gracious Father, that thou hast permitted us this day to offer our homage to thy divine Majesty, and especially that sacrifice of the body and blood of thy beloved Son. If we have been wanting in attention and devotion, pardon us, we beseech thee, in pity to our weakness. For the sake of Him, whose sufferings and death we have commemorated, grant the petitions which we have made in his name, and send down upon us thy blessing, which may remain with us for ever, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Lent and Advent, the Miserers (p. 428) is said instead of the Te Deurn, with the following prayer:

O God, who by sin art offended, and by penance pacified, mercifully regard the prayers of thy people, who make supplication to thee, and turn away the scourges of thy anger, which we deserve for our sins. Spare, O Lord, spare thy people, that having been justly punished for their sins, they may find comfort in thy mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

Conclude with this prayer.

Accept, O most gracious God, this our service: whatever, by thy grace, we may have performed with diligence, in thy elemency regard; and what we have done with negligence, mercifully pardon, through

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon us now, and remain with us for ever. Amen.

I give thee all possible praise and thanks, O Sover-

eign Creator, that thou hast permitted me this day to be present, and to assist at this holy sacrifice. Receive, O Lord, my unworthy prayers, supply all my defects, pardon all my distractions and indevotions; and grant, by the strength and virtue of those divine mysteries, I may go on cheerfully in the path of thy commandments, love, and service, amidst all the temptations, troubles, and dangers of my life's pilgrimage, till I shall one day happily arrive at thy heavenly kingdom, where, with the bleased angels and saints, I shall more clearly contemplate thee, more perfectly enjoy thee, and more worthily celebrate thy infinite goodness and mercy with uninterrupted canticles of eternal praise, admiration, and gratitude.

Happy are they who dwell in thy house, O Lord:

for ever and ever they will praise thee.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive honour, glory, and power.

Praise the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy is

everlasting.

Who shall relate the wonders of the Lord! who shall publish his praises!

(From the Venerable Blosius.)

I adore thee, I praise and magnify thee, O Jesus Christ, my Lord. I bless thee and give thanks to thee, thou Son of the living God, who, according to the will of the Father, and with the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, didst once vouchsafe to be conceived in the most chaste womb of the blessed Virgin Mary, and to be made man, partaker of my passible flesh and blood. O good Jesus, with what priceless and incomprehensible love hast thou loved me, that thou, the Lord of highest Majesty, shouldst condescend to empty thyself, taking the form of a servant! Thou, my God, art become my Brother! And what can I render thee for this thy compassion and thy tender mercy? Behold, I offer thee now my body and my soul for thine everlasting praise and glory.

I give thee thanks for thy most sacred Nativity

when theu didst come forth from the womb of the Virgin Mary, a tender Infant, in a stable, on a rough and bleak winter's night. Hail, thou sweetest Babe; hail, thou King of glory, Light of the nations, Saviour so long desired, who didst not disdain to be wrapt for me in swaddling clothes, to be swathed with bands, to be laid on straw in a manger, and to draw thy sustenance from the Virgin's breast.

I give thee thanks for thy painful circumcision, for thy manifestation to the Gentiles and the bright star with which thou didst bring them to thy feet, for thy presentation in the Temple, for the flight into Egypt, and for all the privations and sufferings thou didst endure in thy most holy infancy, thy boyhood.

and thy youth.

I give thee thanks for the sacred and worshipful baptism which thou, the Creator of heaven and of earth, didst so humbly receive from thy servant John, for the fast of forty days and forty nights wherewith thou wast afflicted and exhausted in the wilderness, and for all the foul temptations wherewith thou didst not refuse to be assailed by the devil.

I give thee thanks for thy saving doctrine, for the miracles thou didst work, and the benefits thou didst bestow on the world, for thy journeyings, thy labours, and thy sorrows, for the hunger and the thirst, the cold and the heat thou didst endure, and for the manifold persecutions wherewith thou didst deign to be

harassed for my salvation.

I give thee thanks for that marvellous condescension wherewith thou, their meek and lowly Master, didst kneel to wash thy disciples' feet and wipe them

with a napkin.

I give thee thanks for the institution of the adorable Sacrament of the Eucharist, in which, with most amazing liberality and unutterable love, thou hast given and bequeathed thyself to us. Amen.

A Method of hearing Mass for the Souls of the Faithful Departed.

Make your Intention.

O Gop of all mercy, I come to offer thee the blood of the Lamb without spot for the souls which thou lovest, and which sigh only after the blessedness of seeing thee and glorifying thee. Just as are the punishments which thou inflictest upon us, open to them this day the boundless treasure of the satisfaction of thy divine Son; and bestow upon them in this holy sacrifice wherewithal to discharge the debt which they still owe to thy sovereign justice.

[If you are intending to communicate, and wish to offer your Communion for particular Soule, say:

I beseech thee, O Lord, to apply to the souls of N. N. the indulgences which I shall be able to obtain by the communion I am about to make.]

Whilst the Priest is at the foot of the Altar.

We confess our sins, O God; and we acknowledge that if thou hadst regard only to our iniquities, no man could be justified in thy sight, and endure the severity of thy countenance. We to us if thou judgest us without mercy! To appease thy justice, we have recourse, after the example of thy saints, to the unbloody sacrifice of Him who was pleased to be nailed to the cross for us, and who never ceaseth to make intercession with thee in our behalf. Forgive us our sins; forgive also our bre-

thren departed the sins which they committed against thee whilst they abode in this land of exile. Let thy meroy prevail over thy justice, since thou hast promised graciously to hear those who shew mercy, and be thou faithful to thy promises.

The Introit.

Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis. Ps. 64. Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion; et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem. Exaudi orationem meam: ad te omnis caro veniet. Requiem.

Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them. Ps. To thee is due the hymn, O God, in Sion; and to thee shall the vow be paid in Jerusalem. O hear my prayer: to thee shall all flesh come. Eternal, &c.

At the Kyrie.

O Jesus, shew thyself a God of mercy; have pity on the souls that groan in the place of suffering and expiation.

The Collect.

Fidelium Deus omnium Conditor et Redemptor, animabus famulorum famularumque tuarum remissionem cunctorum tribue peccatorum; ut indulgentiam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicationibus consequantur. Qui vivis et regnas, &c

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sina; that, through pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired. Who livest and reignest, &c.

Or say:

O most gracious God, who art always ready to have mercy and to spare, forget not, I beseech thee, the souls of thy servants whom thou hast summoned to thy judgment; let thy holy angels conduct them into the heavenly country: they have believed and hoped in thee,

let them not be disappointed in their hope, but enter speedily into possession of that throne of glory which thou hast prepared for thy elect.

At the Epistle.

"Brethren, we will not have you ignorant concerning them that are asleep, that you be not sorrowful even as others who have no hops. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them who have slept through Jesus, will God bring with him. For this we say unto you in the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent them who have slept. For the Lord himself shall come down from heaven with commandment, and with the. voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God; and the dead who are in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, shall be taken up together with them in the clouds to meet Christ, into the air, and so shall we be always with the Lord. Wherefore, comfort ye one another with these words." 1 Thess. iv. 12-17.

Or say:

O Lord, I believe that the souls of those who at their departure out of this world have still to satisfy thy sovereign justice, are relieved by the oblation of the holy sacrifice. What consolation is there in this most blessed doctrine! I see therein the accomplishment of that declaration of thy word, that thou wilt never forget the souls of thy servants; therefore also wouldst thou have us come to the succour of the faithful departed by prayers, and alms, and sacrifices. O Lord, I enter, with all my heart, into thy merciful designs; and I come this day to unite myself with the pious intentions of the Church, by praying for those whom thou didst adopt at the baptismal font, and hast given to us for brethren.

The Gradual.

Requiem seternam dona Eternal rest give unto cis, Domine; et lux perpethem, O Lord; and let per-

tus: ab auditione mala non timebit.

tua luceat eis. V. Ps. 111. petual light shine upon them. In memoria æterna erit jus- . The just shall be in everlasting remembrance: he shall not be afraid for evil report.

The Tract.

mas omnium fidelium de- of all the faithful departed functorum ab omni vinculo from the bonds of their sins. delictorum. V. Et gratia V. And, by the assistance tua illis succurrente, mere of thy grace, may they meantur evadere judicium ultionis. V. Et lucis æternæ condemnation. V. Andenbeatitudine perfrui.

Absolve, Domine, ani- Release, O Lord, the souls joy the bliss of eternal light.

> The Sequence or Prose, Dies irae. See p. 445.

At the Gospel.

"At that time, Martha said to Jesus: Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But now, also, I know that whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee. Jesus saith to her: Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith to him: I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said to her: I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, although he be dead, shall live. And every one that liveth, and believeth in me, shall not die for ever. Believest thou this? She saith to him: Yea, Lord, I have believed that thou art Christ, the Son of the living God, who art come into this world." John xi. 21-28.

Or say:

Enlighten me, O Lord, and teach me what I must do. that I may not be confounded with those who have shut their eyes to the light of thy Gospel. Look down com-passionately upon me, and vouchsafe, O most merciful

Jesus, to pronounce that sentence in my behalf: Thu sins are forgiven thee. And let the faithful departed for whom I pray hear those words of joy which thou utteredst on the cross to the penitent thief: This day thou shalt be with me in paradise. I know that I am not worthy that thou shouldst hear me. We must pay that which we owe to thy justice. We must return to the dust from whence we came. We must be purified by fire before we can enjoy thy presence. But, Lord, thy mercies are greater than our sins; we will say to thee with the Psalmist: My lots are in thy hands; deliver me out of the hands of my enemies, and from them that persecute me. Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; save me in thy mercy. Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee.

The Offertory.

Domine Jesu Christe, Rex glorise, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum fundo lacu: libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obtus Michaël repræsentet eas in lumen sanctum: • quam olim Abrahæ promisisti, et semini ejus. V. Hostias et preces tibi, Domine, laudis offerimus: tu suscipe pro animabus illis, quarum hodie memoriam facimus: fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam. Quam. &c.

Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed de pœnis inferni, et de pro- from the pains of hell, and from the deep pit: deliver them from the lion's mouth. lest hell swallow them up, scurum : sed signifer sanc- lest they fall into darkness: and let the standard-bearer. St. Michael, bring them into the holy light: * as thou promisedst of old to Abraham and to his seed. ¥. We offer thee, O Lord, a sacrifice of praise and prayers: accept them in behalf of the souls we commemorate this day; and make them pass, O Lord, from death to life. As, &c.

At the Secreta.

I will go down, O just Judge of the living and the

dead, I will go down in spirit to that dread place where thy hand is heavy on thy children, the heirs of thy glory. There I will sigh and lament, I will unite my prayers to the sacrifice of thy dear Son, that thou mayest shorten their pains, and change their sufferings into consolation, their humiliation into glory. Lord, in the grief that oppresses them, their soul cries unto thee. Have mercy on me, for I acknowledge that I have sinned in thy sight. One thing have I asked of thee, this will I seek after; that I may dwell in thy house for ever, to behold the fair beauty of thy temple. I believe verily to see thy face in the land of the living.

During the Preface.

It is just and reasonable, right and salutary, to give thee thanks at all times and in all places, Father almighty, eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord; through whom thou hast given us the hope of a blessed resurrection, to the end that, if the recollection of the sentence of death passed upon all mean comes to sadden us, the promise of immortality may encourage and comes to deep it is to lose a mertal life to pass into a better, and when this their earthly tabernacle is disaolved, they and when this their earthly tabernacle is disaolved, they and therefore, with all the heavenly host, we sing a hymn to thy glory, saying, without ceasing: Holy, holy, holy; Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; his blood cries aloud for pardon, and its voice reacheth even to the throne of mercy.

During the Canon.

O almighty God, whose providence extendeth over all thy creatures, for thou art their Father, cast an eye of pity on the souls that love thee, and whose bitterest pain it is to be separated from thee. Remember, O my God, that they are the work of thine hands, and the price of the sufferings, the death, and the infinite merits of thy divine Son. Jesus. Wilt thou not relent towards them

for his name's sake? We offer thee, in their behalf, the precious blood which was shed for them on the cross; the powerful intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. Peter, and St. Paul, and all the Saints; the humble supplications of thy Church, and the prayers and meritorious works of all the faithful. Having this confidence, we hope all from thy mercy, O my God, for the souls which were dear unto us, and which thou hast made it our duty to love and succour. Let thy paternal tenderness disarm at length thy justice. Open to them thy heart; manifest to them thy glory; shew thyself to them as thou art, and let flow into their souls that torrent of delights of which thou art the everlasting source.

At the Elevation.

O holy Victim, immolated for the salvation of the world, listen favourably to our prayers. O precious Blood of our Saviour, which wast shed to take away our sins, sanctify us, and cry for mercy on the souls of the faithful departed.

Continuance of the Canon.

O Jesus, who didst go down into Limbo to deliver thence the souls of the patriarchs and prophets who swaited thy coming, visit the souls of thy servants in their place of suffering. Moderate the heat of the furnace in which they are tried with the dew of thy grace. Thou hast said that thou wilt consider as done unto thyself, the least good which we shall do unto our brethren: I may hope, then, that the relief which I shall procure for the souls of the faithful will be as acceptable to thee as if I had procured it for thyself. Cease from thy anger, O my God, through the intercession of Her who is the comforter of the afflicted, and through the prayers of all the heavenly host, who plead for the blessedness of the souls in purgatory. Grant, I beseech thee, eternal rest to these our brethren in whose behalf we prostrate ourselves before thee.

At the Pater.

O Jesus, O thou at whose name every knee doth bow in heaven, on earth, and under the earth; O thou who art the sovereign Judge of the living and the dead, let thy name be hallowed by the deliverance of the souls for whom we pray. Let the gate of thy tabernacies be opened to them, and thy will to save them be done this day. Grant that, after having eaten the bread of affliction, they may be nourished with the living bread, which is the fruition of thyself. We beseech thee in thy mercy to forgive the sins of our parents, friends, and benefactors, ---, and the sins which we have caused them to commit, that thou mayest not impute the guilt to them in the rigour of thy justice. Preserve us from those avenging flames, which, alas! we have too justly merited by the abuse of thy graces, our tepidity in thy service, and our unfaithfulness in resisting temptation. Deliver us from sin, the greatest of all evils. We know that it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

At the Agnus Dei.

O Jesus, how great is the love which led thee to offer thyself, as a lamb to the sacrifice, for the expiation of the sins of the world! What tongue can worthily extol that charity which leads thee to become surety for our debts, even after our death! What ought not our gratitude to be for so great a benefit!

Lamb of God, who, by thy death, didst overcome the roaring lion that goeth about seeking whom he may de-

vour, have mercy on the faithful departed.

Lamb without spot, who wast immolated to the justice of thy divine Father, to the end that he might forgive us our sins, have mercy on those who have died united

by love to thy sacred heart.

Lamb of God, who wast offered in sacrifice, that them mightest lead us out of this land of perdition to the true land of promise; thou who hast said: I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, although he be dead, shall live, — give to the souls of the faithful

departed that life, the principle of which was imparted to them by the grace of the holy sacraments; bestow upon them the happiness of which they have so often received the precious pledge in thy heavenly banquet. I desire to have part therein (spiritually), that I may obtain for them, as much as in me lies, the society of thine elect for ever; I offer to thee in their behalf, and especially for N., all the devotions and good works which I may be enabled to perform. Despise not my humble prayer; but be thou thyself my consolation in my loss, and grant relief to those souls which were so dear to me, and especially N.

Communion.

Let shine upon them, O Lord, thy eternal light, that they may dwell for ever with thy saints: grant this favour to them, I beseech thee, O God of mercy.

Post-Communion.

O my God, who hast constituted prayer for the souls in purgatory one of the most essential of our duties, grant that I may find, in thy infinite merits and charity, the pardon of all my past tendity and sloth. Let the remembrance of thy justice, which keeps them fast bound in prison for faults which I myself so commonly commit, excite in me a firm resolution of entering on the way of penance to expiate my sins, and cause me to walk with more circumspection, that I may not relapse into my former errors. I will no longer delay to do penance. Henceforth I will labour thereat whilst there is yet time. I will pray most humbly for the souls of the faithful departed; I will deprive myself even of allowable pleasures and enjoyments, to quench the flames in which they suffer; I will pour my alms into the lap of the poor, to make interest in their behalf. Bless these resolutions, O my God, and grant me grace to fulfil them.

The Last Gospel.

"I know that my Redeemer liveth, and in the last

day I shall rise out of the earth, and I shall be clothed again with my skin, and in my flesh I shall see my God, my Saviour; my eyes shall behold him; this my hope is laid up in my bosom." Job xix. 25-27.

"I will look towards the Lord, I will wait for God my Saviour; my God will hear my voice. I shall arise when I sit in darkness, the Lord is my light.... He will bring me forth into the light, I shall behold his justice." Mich. vii. 7-9.

Offering of the Passion of Christ for the Faithful Departed.

(St. Gertrude.)

Look down, O Father of compassion, from thy high and holy seat upon the hapless souls detained in purgatory. Look upon all the pains and torments wherewith they are so piteously chastised; regard now the plaintive groans and tears which they pour forth unto thee; hear the prayers and the supplications where-with they entreat thy mercy, and be merciful unto their sins. Remember, O most compassionate Father, all the sufferings which thy Son hath endured for them; remember his precious Blood, shed in such abundance for them; call to mind the most bitter death which he suffered for them, and have mercy on them. For all the sins they have ever committed against thee I offer thee the most holy life and conversation of thy most beloved Son; for all their negligences I offer thee his most fervent desires towards thee; for all their omissions I offer thee the great abundance of his merits; for their every insult and wrong to thee I offer thee the sweet submission with which he honoured thee. Finally, for all the chas-tisements which they have ever incurred I offer thee all the mortifications, fastings, watchings, the labours and afflictions, wounds and stripes, passion and death, which he endured in such spotless innocence and with such loving eagerness; beseeching thee now to suffer thy anger to be appeased towards them, and to lead them forth into everlasting joy. Amen.

A Method of hearing Mass by way of Meditation;

WITH DEVOUT AFFECTIONS ON THE PASSION AND DEATH OF OUR LORD.

Before the service begins, while waiting for the priest to come in. Call to mind the last Supper, in which Christ instituted the Sacrifice of the Mass, and gave himself to us all to be our food. Oughtest thou not to acknowledge and give him thanks for this excess of love?

AFFECTIONS.

I acknowledge, O Lord Jesus, that having loved thine own, thou didst truly love them even unto the end. John xiii. 1.

For, behold, thou hast prepared a table before me,

against them that afflict me. Ps. xxii. 6.

I will offer also unto thee now the sacrifice of praise, and will call upon the name of the Lord. Ps. cxv. 7.

When the priest is descending from the alter before commencing the Mass. Consider Christ after Supper going from Mount Sion (where the Supper had been held) to the Garden of Gethsemane. And his disciples followed him. Luke xxii. 39. And wilt thou foreake thy God in the time of temptation and trial?

AFFECTIONS.

in whatsoever place thou shalt be, O my Lord, there will thy servant be. 2 Kings xv. 21.

It is good for me to adhere to my God, to put my hope in the Lord God. Ps. lxxii. 28.

Lord, I am ready to go with thee both into prison and to death. Luke xxii. 33.

At the Confession. Contemplate Christ praying in his agong, when his sweat became as drops of blood trickling down upon the ground. Luke xxii. 44. Thy sins forced out his blood; and wilt thou not grieve on account of them?

AFFECTIONS.

Who will give water to my head, and a fountain of tears to my eyes, and I will weep day and night? Jer. ix. 1.

Father, I have sinned against Heaven, and before thee; I am not now worthy to be called thy son. Luke xv. 21.

O God, be merciful to me a sinner. Luke xviii. 13.

When the priest kisses the altar, and at the Introit. Consider Judes betraying Christ with a kiss. And art not thou also a trailor; while thou rejectest thy Savious to embrace some trifting pleasure?

APPROTIONS.

Impute not to me, my Lord, the iniquity, nor remember the injuries of thy servant. 2 Kings xix. 19.

I acknowledge my iniquity, and my sin is ever before me. Ps. l. 4.

Lord, have mercy upon me, have mercy upon me.

At the Kyrie eleison. Reflect on the threefold denial of Peter, who did not repent until the Lord looked upon him. Luke xxii. 61. How often art thou ashamed of thy Lord Jesus, and deniest him before men! When will thou repent?

AFFECTIONS.

I have sinned, O Lord. 2 Kings xii. 13.
Cast me not away from thy presence. Ps. l. 12.
Look upon me, and have mercy upon me. Ps. xxiv.
16.

At the Gloria. Think of the exultation of the Jews at the mocking and sufferings of Christ. And art not thou as one of them, if thou takest pleasure in wicked things?

APPROTIONS

What shall I answer? or what shall I say? God has found out the iniquity of his servant. Gen. xliv. 16.

Convert us, O God our Saviour, and turn away thine anger from us. Ps. lxxxiv. 5.

I will be glad and rejoice in thee, O Lord. Ps. ix. 3.

At the Collect, Epistle, and Gradual. Think of all the accusations, mucheries, blows, and spittings, which Christ endured in the houses of Annas and Caiaphas. John xviii. 22. Christ was silent as a lamb before his shearers; but how easily art thou made angry, and reproachest thine accusers.

AFFECTIONS.

Where is thy fortitude and thy patience? Job iv. 6, Thou art my patience, O Lord. Ps. lxx. 5. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a door

Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and a door round about my lips. Incline not my heart to evil words. Pa. cxl. 4.

At the Gospel, which the priest reads, crossing over to the other side of the alter. Meditate how Ohrist was hurried from Caiaphas to Pilate, questioned concerning his teaching, and rebuked. Luke xxiii. Dost thou value the precious doctrine of Jenus? Dost thou receive it carefully thyself, and hand it on to others?

AFFECTIONS.

Direct my steps according to thy word, and let no iniquity have dominion over me. Ps. exviii. 133.

Thy word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my

paths. Ps. cxviii.

I will teach thy ways unto the wicked; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Ps. l. 14.

At the Crodo. Meditate upon Christ sent by Pilate to Herod, and by him sent back again to Pilate (when he obtained not the signs he expected to see), clothed in a white garment, as a silly person, not worthy of credit. Luke xxiii. Art thou among those who, before they will betieve, demand of Christ that they may see a sign? Mark xii. 69.

AFFECTIONS.

Blessed are they that have not seen, and have believed. John xx. 29.

I do believe, Lord; help my unbelief. Mark ix. 23.

I live in the faith of the Son of God, who loved me.

and delivered himself for me. Gal. ii. 20.

At the Offertory. Meditate upon the resignation of Christ, and his offering himself to bear all things for the glory of his Father and the redemption of mankind. Ps. xxxix. Art thou prepared to endure adversity and affliction?

AFFECTIONS.

I am prepared for scourges. Ps. xxxvii. 18.

I will take the chalice of salvation, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Ps. cxv. 4.

Confirm, O God, that which thou hast wrought in me. Ps. lxvii. 29.

At the Lavabo. Reflect how Pilate sought to excuse himself for his most wicked deed by washing his hands, but did not escape the guilt itself. Matt. xvii. 24. How often dost thou seek to conceal thy sins, and to make excuse for them! So doing, thou dost rather increase than diminish them.

AFFECTIONS.

I confess against myself my injustice unto the Lord. Ps. xxxi. 6.

O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my offences are not hidden from thee. Ps. lxviii. 6.

If I contend with thee, I cannot answer thee one for a thousand. Job ix. 3.

At the Orate fratres. Meditate upon Christ, about to be condemned by Pilate, presented to the people in a crosses of thorns and a purple robe. John xix. 4. What will be thy state, O man, when thou shall stand before Christ the judge at the last day?

AFFECTIONS.

Who will grant me this, that thou mayest protect me in hell, and hide me till thy wrath pass by? Job xiv. 13.

I will let go my speech against myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul. I will say to God, Do not condemn me. Job x. 1.

For, behold, I was conceived in iniquity, and in sin

did my mother conceive me. Ps. l. 6.

At the Preface. Reflect that the very same Jews who, five days before, saluted Christ with Hosenmas, now cry out, Orneily him, orneily him. John xix. 6. Art thou guilty of salution inconstancy?

AFFECTIONS.

Perfect thou my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps be not moved. Ps. xvi. 6.

Strengthen thou me in thy words. Ps. cxviii. 28.

Thy hand shall lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. Ps. exxxviii. 9.

At the Canon. Meditate upon Jesus bearing his own cross as he west up to Calvary. John xix. 17. Doet thou not hear the voice of Christ? If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me. Matt. xvi. 24.

APPROTIONS.

Draw me: we will run after thee to the odour of thy ointments. Cant. i. 3.

God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our

Lord Jesus Christ. Gal. vi. 14.

Let us go forth therefore to him without the camp, bearing his reproach. Heb. xiii. 13.

At the Elevation of the Host. Meditate on Christ, nailed to the cross by his hands and his feet, set forth as a spectacle to the whole world. Mark xx. 25. Behold, O man, thy Redeemer! With what affection hast thou hitherto embraced him, who here, with extended arms, invites thes to his embrace?

AFFECTIONS.

My beloved to me, and I to him. Cant. ii. 16. Tell him that I languish with love. Lidd. v. 8.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or danger? I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor any other greature shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom. viii. 35.

At the Elevation of the Chalice. Reflect how profusely Christ poured forth his blood from his five sacred wounds for the washing away of our sins. Run to him, O sinner, that you may be cleansed, and draw waters with joy out of the Saviour's fountains. Is. xii. 3.

AFFECTIONS.

Suffer me that I may lament my sorrow a little, before I go and return no more, to a land that is dark, and covered with the shadow of death. Job xx. 20.

Perhaps darkness shall cover me. Ps. cxxxviii. 11.

At the Memento for the Dead. O Jesus, enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death. Luke i. 79.

At the Pater noster. Meditate upon the seven words of Christ uttered by him on the cross: 1. Christ prayed for his enemies: what dost thou do? 2. The thief, repenting, obtained heaven. Learn seriously to repent and do penance, but delay it not to the last. 3. Christ commends his mother to John, and John to his mother; to whom canst thou better commend thyself? 4. Christ complains that he is forsaken; and dost thou expect consolation as thy due? 5. Christ thirsted for thy salvation: and dost thou turn away from it with loathing? 6. Christ announced that all his torments were finished: thus shall all thy good and evil in this world be brought to a close.

7. Lastly, after the example of Christ, commend thy spirit into the hands of thy heavenly Father. Luke xxiii. 46.

AFFECTIONS.

And we also forgive our debtors. Matt. vi. 12.

Make me also to hear, This day thou shalt be with me
in Paradise. Luke xxiii. 43.

O Mary, behold thy son! John xix. 26.

Forsake me not, O Lord my God; go not thou far from me. Ps. xxxvii. 22.

For thee my soul hath thirsted. Ps. lxii.

Happy is he who hath finished his course, who hath kept the faith. 2 Tim. iv. 7.

Into thy hands I commend my spirit. Luke xxiii. 46.

At the Division of the Sacred Host. Reflect upon the separation of Christ's soul from his body. Matt. xxvii. 50. It is appointed to all men once to die. Heb. ix. 27.

AFFECTIONS.

Let my soul die the death of the just. Num. xxiii. 10. Whether we live, or whether we die, we are the Lord's. Rom. xiv. 8.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. Apoc.

xiv. 13.

At the Agnus Dei, when the priest strikes his breast. Reflect how many of those who saw Christ dying on the cross, striking their breasts, returned. Luke xxiii. 48. And dost not thou strike thy breast in token of true sorrow for thy sins?

AFFECTIONS.

Lord, I strike my breast with the publican, and say, Be merciful to me a sinner. Luke xviii. 13.

And now, O Lord, think of me, and take not revenge of my sins, neither remember my offences, nor those of my parents. Job iii. 3.

Let thy mercies speedily prevent us. Ps. xxviii. 8.

At the Communion of the Priest. Meditate upon the burial of Christ. (John xix, 41.) He asks from thee thy heart for a sepulchre.

APPECTIONS.

My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready. Ps. lvi. 10.

Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place, thou and the ark of thy holiness. Ps. cxxxi. 8.

My heart shall rejoice with thee. Prov. xxiii. 15.

At the last Collect, which the priest reads with a loud voice.

Meditate upon Christ's joyful and glorious resurrection.

Mark xvi. 6. Ye are dead, and your life is hid with

Christ in God. Colos. iii. 3.

AFFECTIONS.

We look for the Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, who will reform the body of our lowness, made like to the body of his glory. Phil. iii. 20, 21.

When shall I come and appear before the face of

God? Ps. xli. 2.

I desire to be dissolved, and to be with Christ. Phil. i. 23.

At the Benediction. Meditate how Christ, ascending up into heaven, blessed his disciples. Mark Ivi. 19. Unto this are ye called, that ye may inherit a blessing. 1 Pet. iii. 9.

AFFECTIONS.

Save, O Lord, thy people, and bless thy inheritance. Ps. xxvii. 9.

May God our God bless us; may God bless us. Ps.

lxvi.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord; they shall praise thee for ever and ever. Ps. lxxxiii. 5.

PRAYER AT THE CONCLUSION OF MASS.

Accept, O holy Trinity, this sacrifice of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which I have offered to thy divine Majesty in remembrance of his passion and death; and by his infinite merits, I beseech thee, that all my defects and negligences may be supplied, for he is the propitiation for our sins. Amen.

An Exercise of Union with the Sacred Heart of Jesus during Mass.

It is in the holy Sacrifice of the Mass that Jesus Christ offers himself, for love of us, to the Divine Justice; it is, then, by assisting at this august Sacrifice, that we ought to honour his Sacred Heart. Meditate on his mercies towards all the children of Adam. Endeavour to shew as much sorrow for your sins as if you saw him crucified afresh on Calvary.

Make your Intention.

I offer thee, O my God, this august sacrifice, to honour thy unspeakable perfections, to thank thee for all the graces which thou hast so often heaped upon me, to ask thy pardon for my numberless infidelities, and to obtain of thee new favours.

O Jesus, grant me, I beseech thee, a constant attention, a profound reverence, a lively faith, and a tender devotion during the adorable sacrifice: set me on fire with the love of thee, that I may partake of the merits which thou hast obtained for me at the price of thy blood.

Whilst the Pricet is at the foot of the Altar.

O divine Jesus, thou art the victim charged with all the iniquities of the world; thou didst weep for them bitter tears; thou didst expiate them by the most dreadful torments and by the most cruel of deaths. I come to mingle my tears with thine; I confess to thee, in the presence of Mary ever Virgin and of all the Saints, that have sinned exceedingly; that it is my ingratitude that

pierced thy heart, and put thee to a cruel death. O God, my Saviour, through thy tears, through thy agony in the Garden of Olives, through thy precious blood and the wound in thy Sacred Heart, I beseech thee to pardon me, and grant me the remission of all my sins.

At the Introit.

Let us adore the Heart of Jesus, which has loved us so much; let us prostrate ourselves before him, and bewail the sins of which we have been guilty. Grant us, O Lord, a contrite and humble heart; let the homage of our adorations be as acceptable to thee as if we offered thee thousands of victims.

At the Kyrie.

O Father of infinite mercy, have pity on thy children; O Jesus, immolated for us, apply to us the merits of thy precious blood; O Holy Ghost, the Sanctifier, descend into our hearts, and inflame them with thy love.

At the Gloria in excelsis.

What happiness for us that the Son of the Most High should have been pleased to dwell amongst us, and have vouchsafed to offer us a dwelling in his Divine Heart? Suffer us, O Lord, to mingle our voices with those of the angelic choir, to thank thee for so great a favour; and let us say with them: "Glory to God in the highest heavens." O almighty Father, we praise thee, we bless thee, we adore thee, we give thee thanks for all the benefits which thou hast lavished upon us without ceasing. O Jesus, Lamb without spot, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, who reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost in glory, and meritest all our homage on earth.

At the Collects.

O divine Jesus, inexhaustible fountain of all good things, open to us, we beseech thee, the interior of thy Heart; that, having entered, by pious meditation, into this august sanctuary of divine love, we may fix for

ever there our hearts, as the place wherein are found the treasure, the repose, and the happiness of holy souls; who livest and reignest for ever and ever.

At the Epistle.

"He shall grow up as a tender plant before the Lord, and as a root out of a thirsty ground; there is no beauty in him, nor comeliness: and we have seen him, and there was no sightliness, that we should be desirous of him: despised, and the most abject of men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with infirmity: and his look was as it were hidden and despised; whereupon we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our infirmities, and carried our sorrows; and we have thought him as it were a leper, and as one struck by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our iniquities, he was bruised for our sins: the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray, every one hath turned aside into his own way: and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was offered because it was his own will, and he opened not his mouth: he shall be led as a sheep to the slaughter, and shall be dumb as a lamb before his shearer, and he shall not open his mouth. He was taken swav from distress, and from judgment: who shall declare his generation? because he is cut off out of the land of the living: for the wickedness of my people have I struck him." (Is. liii. 2-8.)

At the Gradual.

Let the tears flow from our eyes, day and night, as a torrent; let our hearts be poured out like water before the Lord: let us raise up our hands to him.

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Heart of Jesus, pardon thy children; let not thy heritage fall into reproach; save us, and we will never cease to sing thy mercies.

At the Gospel.

O Lord Jesus, teach us what we ought to do to gain sternal life.

"My little children, I give you a new commandment: That you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one for another. If you love me, keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he shall give you the Spirit of truth, whom the world knoweth not. I will not leave you orphans: I will come to you; you shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. He that keepeth my commandments, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me, shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will open to him my heart. Abide in me; if any one abide not in me, he shall be cast forth as a branch, and shall wither, and they shall cast him into the fire, and he burneth. you abide in me, and my words abide in you, you shall ask whatever you will, and it shall be done unto you. It is the will of my Father that you bring forth good fruit, and become my disciples. A little while, and you shall not see me; you shall lament and weep, but the world shall rejoice; but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man shall take from you. In the world you shall have distress: but have confidence, I have overcome the world. Holy Father, keep them in thy name whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we also are. I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from evil. Father, I will that where I am, they also whom thou hast given me may be with me, that they may see my glory." (Compare John xiii.xvii.)

At the Credo.

I believe, O my God, the truths which thou hast revealed to thy Church. I desire to live and die in this faith. Grant, O Lord, that my life may be conformable with my faith, that my faith may be animated by good works, that I may never be ashamed to declare myself a Catholic, and may constantly maintain the interests of thy holy religion.

O Church of Rome, the persecutions which thou hast

endured, far from weakening my faith, do but strengthen it the more, since thy divine Spouse foretold them. I vow inviolable attachment to thee. Lord, draw close the bonds that bind me to thy holy Church; put into my heart a spirit of perfect obedience to its lawful pastors. In its bosom I became thy child, and in its bosom I wish to live and die. Amen.

At the Offertory.

O Jesus, we draw near with confidence to thy Sacred Heart; cast upon us, we beseech thee, a look of pity, and make our hearts a perpetual offering consecrated to thy glory.

From the Offettory to the Preface.

Sin hath made us the enemies of our God, but Jesus Christ, by his death, hath reconciled us with his divine Father. It is in the Sacred Heart that this reconcilation is accomplished. O my soul, how Jesus Christ hath loved us! At what a price he hath redeemed us! Not with gold, nor with riches; but by the voluntary shedding of his blood. He hath sacrificed himself for us: let us then live only for him, let us sacrifice ourselves together with him.

Thou willest, O Jesus, that I should be a victim of love, wholly consecrated to thy Divine Heart: it is my most ardent desire. Thy benefits are numberless; thou hast broken the bonds of my servitude; thou hast adopted me for thy child; thou hast admitted me to thy table; thou hast given me a place in thy Divine Heart; and even yet, for all my continual prevarications, thou preparest me an everlasting blessedness: how could I ever forget so many benefits! I will publish thy mercies, and will never cease to love thee with all the fervour of my heart. But, O my God, my heart is not full enough of love and fervour to be an offering worthy of thee. What, then, shall I give thee? I will give thee thy Son. That Son, the most worthy object of thy complacency, will supply my inability. O Lord, look not on me, but on this divine offering.

At the Preface.

Lift up, O Lord, do thou thyself lift up my heart to thee. Take from it all unholy thoughts, all earthly affections. Lift it wholly up to heaven, where thy Heart is worthily adored, and to the altar, where it is about to manifest itself to me. My life is but one continual succession of thy mercies, let it be one continual succession of thanksgivings; and as thou art now about to renew the greatest of all sacrifices, is it not meet that I should burst forth in expressions of heartfelt gratitude? Suffer me, then, to join my feeble voice with the voices of all the heavenly spirits, and in union with them to say, in a transport of joy and admiration: Holy, holy, holy is the Heart of Jesus, the worthy object of the Divine complacency, and of the homage of heaven and earth. The whole earth is full of its glory and its mercy; let my heart be full also of its love.

At the commencement of the Canon.

O God, infinitely boly, if my sins provoke thee, and make me abominable in thy sight, look upon the Lamb without spot, who is going to immolate himself to take away the sins of the world, and, beholding his merits, remember not my ingratitude. Remember only that I have been graciously admitted into the Heart of thy divine Son, and am intimately united to it. This Heart, infinitely merciful, prayed for me on Calvary, and soon will it renew the sacrifice of itself for me.

O my God, would that I had all the sorrow which filled the Heart of Jesus, the man of sorrows, when, weighed down under the heavy burden of my sins, and ready to expiate them by cruel torments, he wept grievously in the garden of Olives, and, all covered with a bloody sweat, made for me an act of reparation to thy outraged majesty, imploring thy mercy with deep sighs and groans! I earnestly desire this perfect sorrow; I ask it of thee with all my heart; I confess that I have sinned exceedingly in offending thee, and repaying thy benefits only with outrages and insults. There is nothing I would not do to expiate my innumerable sins, and I would willingly

shed my blood to satisfy thy justice.

But what do I behold upon the altar? Is it not that hely victim which shall reconcile me to my God? O my soul, this bread will become the Body of the Son of God, and this wine his Blood, and this most marvellous change will be wrought by one only word. There needed but one word to create this vast universe; that same word will this day work the greatest of all wonders, and will renew it even to the end of the world. Mary, Mother of God, and all ye blessed spirits who surround the throne of the Most High, holy men and women, saints of God, come ye and witness this miracle of love, which is the pledge of my salvation.

O my soul, enter into thyself; believe that Jesus Christ is really present in the holy Eucharist. Yes, my God, this is thy Body, this is thy Blood: thou sayest it: I am

silent before thee, I believe, I adore.

From the Consecration to the Pater.

O Jesus, victim of thy love for me, touch my heart; communicate to me at this moment all the ardent affections of the saints who have leved thee with the deepest tenderness, and all the burning adorations of the seraphim, whose blessed privilege it is always to behold thee. Kindle in my heart the devouring fire that consumes thine own, that, animated with thy spirit, I may live a life altogether new. O my Saviour, thou standest ever before thy Father, thou shewest him the marks of thy wounds and the opening in thy heart, thou ever livest to make intercession for us. And dost thou not perform the same ministry upon this altar? Occupied wholly with my needs, thou layest them before thy Father, thou presentest thy heart to him, to appease his anger and obtain his grace for me. O divine Intercessor, I lay all my petitions at thy feet; vouchsafe to present them to thy Father. I pray for the conversion of sinners, the perseverance of the just, and the triumph of our holy religion. O Jesus, who didst die for all men, bring back to the fold of the Church those who are separated from

it. Enlighten all infidels and heretics, bless the efforts of those who labour to convert them. Have pity on the souls of the faithful departed; remit to them their debts, and grant them a place of refreshment, light, and peace. I beseech thee particularly to have compassion on N...

At the Pater.

O my Father, if it be permitted a guilty child to call by so tender a name a God whom he hath so often offended, grant that I may ever labour for the glory of thy holy name, that in all things I may do thy will, and sigh unceasingly for thy heavenly kingdom. Feed me with the bread of heaven, with which thou feedest the beloved children of thy Heart. Let the forgiveness which thou grantedst to thy murderers be my model in forgiving those who have injured me; give me superiors, both spiritual and temporal, that love thee, and friends that serve thee faithfully; and if ever I expose myself to sin do thou deliver me from the danger, that I may never outrage thy Divine Heart.

At the Agnus Dei.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on ms. Give me the peace which the world cannot give; peace with thee, by a true reconciliation and a perfect submission to thy will; peace with my neighbour, by the union of my passions; peace with my neighbour, by the union of a sincere charity with all the children of men. Give peace to the world, by the extinction of wars and divisions.

At Communion.

(If you are intending to receive, say:)

Is there any love to be compared with thine, my Saviour! It was on the cross that thou offeredst thy sacrifice, and it is in my heart that thou desirest to consummate it. O my God, is it possible that thou choosest for thy sepulchre a heart so wretched! Alas, I am nothing but a sinner! Whence is it, Lord, that, for all my

unworthiness, thou desirest me to sit down at thy table? Since thus it is, speak but the word, and my soul shall be healed; say to me, as thou saidst to the woman that was a sinner, "Thy sins are forgiven." Make me to hear the words which thou spokest to Zaccheus, "Make haste; for this day I must abide in thy house."

(If you are not intending to communicate.)

O my most loving Saviour, since I cannot have the happiness of receiving thee this day, suffer me to gather up the precious crumbs that fall from thy table, and to unite myself to thy Divine Heart by faith, hope, and charity. I confess I do not deserve the children's bread; but I venture humbly to declare that, away from thee, my soul is dried up with thirst, and my heart cast down with faintness. Come, then, into me, O my divine Jesus! come into my mind, to illuminate it with thy light; come into my heart, to enkindle in it the fire of thy love, and to unite it so intimately with thy own, that it may be no more I that live, but thou that livest in me, and reignest in me for ever.

Whilst the Priest is reading the Communion.

Learn of me, for I am meek and humble of heart, and you shall find rest to your souls: my yoke is sweet, and my burden light.

During the Post-Communion.

Lord, we have had the happiness of being admitted into the sanctuary of thy Divine Heart, give us grace that we may abide therein for ever; so that we may be obtain the happiness which thou hast prepared for thy elect; through thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

At the Priest's Benediction.

O Heart of Jesus, I will not depart till thou hast blessed me. Bless me in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and let thy blessing descend upon all those for whom I ought to pray.

At the Last Gospel.

O eternal Word, who wast made man that thou mightest make men the children of God, I thank thee for this unspeakable grace. How great is the blessing I enjoy, not only of bearing the name, but of being indeed the child of God. Grant, O my Jesus, that I may preserve this blessed title, by faithfully imitating thy Sacred Heart, and shewing myself always filled with love for thy holy law. If I remain faithful, thou assurest me that I shall be co-heir with thee, and shall enjoy the happiness which thou hast purchased for us with thy precious blood; and this I hope to obtain through thy infinite mercy.

After Mass.

How great will be my happiness, O Lord, if by assisting at this divine sacrifice, I have received all the graces which thou grantest to those who bring thereto a lively faith and a pure heart. Accept, I beseech thee, the reparation which I offer to thy divine Majesty for all the sins of which I have been guilty before thy holy altar. I am going to occupy myself with those duties in the world to which thy providence hath called me. Grant that I may have ever before my mind thy patience in adversities, thy obedience to Joseph and Mary, and thy tender charity in bearing with all men. Strengthen me against all temptations; preserve me from all sin; make me firm and immovable in the faith; in fine, transform me into thyself, O Jesus, so that thy Heart and my heart may be united in one, both in time and in eternity. Amen.

For other prayers, see Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the Month of June, p. 553.

AN EASY METHOD OF ASSISTING AT THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF MASS WITH PROFIT.

(By the Blessed Leonard of Port Maurice.)

THE angelical doctor, St. Thomas, tells us that we have all four special debts which we owe to Almighty God, answering to the four great ends for which Jesus Christ instituted the Holy Sacrifice of the Altar. These are,

1. To praise and honour the infinite Majesty of God, in

acknowledgment of his supreme dominion over us.

2. To satisfy Almighty God for the sins we have committed against him.

3. To thank him for all the blessings he has bestowed upon us.

4. To implore his divine grace and assistance.

The method for hearing Mass as here given is especially conformable to the spirit of the Church, whose wish it is that we should, when assisting at Mass, unite our intention to that of the priest, who offers up the Holy Sacrifice for the four endiges just mentioned; by so doing we shall be able, according to St. Thomas, to pay off, in the most efficacious manner, the four debts which we have contracted with Almighty God.

As soon, therefore, as the Mass commences, while the priest humbles himself at the foot of the altar, and says the Confitor, make a short examination of conscience, an act of true contrition, beg pardon of God for your sins, and invoke the assistance of the Holy Spirit and of the Blessed Virgin, that you may hear Mass with all reverence and devotion.

Then divide the Mass into four parts, in which you will

pay off the four great debts, in the following way:

From the Introit to the Gospel.

I. From the beginning up to the Gospel you will pay your first debt, of honouring and praising the majesty of God, who is worthy of infinite honour and praise. Humble yourself, therefore, with Jesus; acknowledge your own nothingness; confess sincerely that you are but utter nothingness in the presence of his immense Majesty; and then with great modesty and recollection, with humility of heart and body, say:

"O my God, I adore thee, and acknowledge thee to be the Lord and Master of my soul. I protest that all that I am, all that I have, I have from thee: and since thy exceeding Majesty demands an infinite homage and worship, and I, a miserable creature, am utterly unable to acquit myself of this great debt, I offer thee the humiliations and the homage which Jesus offers to thee upon the altar. What Jesus does, I intend to do likewise, in union with him. I humble and prostrate myself before thy Majesty; I adore thee, in union with the humiliatio

of Jesus: I rejoice and am full of joy that the blessed Jesus offers up to thee for me an infinite honour and worship."

Close your book, and continue to make in your heart several acts of joy at the thought that God is infinitely honoured; and say again and again:

"Yes, my God, I rejoice at the infinite honour which this Holy Sacrifice gives to thy Majesty: I rejoice at it, and am glad, as far as I know how and can."

Do not care to bind yourself to these words, but follow the promptings of your own devotion, keeping yourself recollected and united to God. Oh, how well in this way, how well, will you pay off your first debt!

From the Gospel to the Elevation.

II. In the second part, which is from the Gospel to the Elevation, you will pay off the second debt. Cast a glance upon your many most grievous sins, consider the immense debt you have contracted on account of them with the Divine justice, and say with a humble heart:

"Behold, O my God, the traitor who has so often rebelled against thee! Alas, with sorrow I hate and detest, with all the affections of my heart, my most grievous sins; and I offer thee in satisfaction for them the satisfaction which Jesus gives thee upon the altar. I offer thee all the merits of Jesus, the Blood of Jesus; Jesus, God and Man, who as a victim is sacrificing himself again for me: since upon that altar my Jesus is my Mediator and my Advocate, by his most precious Blood he is imploring pardon for me. I unite myself to the voice of that loving Blood; and I ask mercy for all my most grievous sins. The Blood of Jesus cries to thee for mercy; my broken heart also cries to thee for mercy. Ah, my beloved God, if my tears move thee not, let the groans of my Jesus move thee; and that mercy which he obtained for all mankind upon the cross, why should he not obtain it for me upon the altar? Yes, I hope that, in virtue of that most precious Blood, thou wilt pardon me all my sins, which I will never cease to lament even to the last moment of my life."

Close your book, and repeat several times acts of true interior and earnest contrition. Give vent to your affections, and in silence, but in the depth of your heart, say to Jesus:

"My beloved Jesus, give me the tears of Peter, the contrition of Magdalene, and the sorrow of those saints who.

once sinners, became true penitents, so that in this Mass I may obtain a most complete pardon of all my sins."

From the Elevation to the Communion.

III. In the third part, which is from the Elevation to the Communion, consider the amount of the many and wonderful blessings you have received, in payment for which offer to Almighty God a gift of infinite value, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ: invite all the angels, and all the saints, to thank him for you in this or the like manner:

"Behold me, my most beloved God, laden with blessings, general and particular, which thou hast bestowed upon me, and which thou wilt still bestow upon me, in time and in eternity. I acknowledge that thy mercies towards me have been, and are, infinite: I am ready to pay thee for them, even to the last farthing; wherefore, in gratitude and in payment for them, behold this divine Blood, this most precious Body, this innocent Victim, which I present to thee by the hands of the priest. I am sure that this offering which I present to thee is sufficient to pay thee for all the gifts thou hast bestowed upon me. This gift of infinite value is of itself worth all the gifts which I have ever received, or ever shall receive from thee. Ye holy angels, and all ye blessed saints of heaven, oh, help me to thank my God, and offer to him, in thanksgiving for his blessings to me, not only this but all the Masses which are at this moment celebrated through the whole world; so that his most loving beneficence may receive a complete recompense for all the favours which he has shown me, and which he will confer upon me for ever and ever. Amen."

Oh, how pleased is our good God with such a thanksgiving! Oh, how is he satisfied by this one offering, which, being of an infinite value, is worth more than all other offerings together! And in order to excite yourself the more to this devotion, invite the whole court of heaven to thank him for you; invoke those saints to whom you are more specially devout, and say to them in the immost of your heart:

"O my beloved saints and advocates, thank the good God for me, that I may not live and die ungrateful; beg of him to accept my good-will, and to have regard to the Loving thanksgivings which Jesus in this Mass is offering to him for me."

Do not be content with saying this once only, but repeat it again and again; and be assured that in this way you will completely acquit yourself of this great debt.

From the Communion to the end of Mass.

IV. In the fourth part, which is from the Communion to the end of the Mass, after having made a spiritual communion while the priest is communicating sacramentally, consider God to be within you, and then open your heart, and ask him for many graces, and know that then Jesus unites himself with you, and prays and supplicates for you: therefore enlarge your heart, and do not ask for trifling things, but ask for great graces; for great is the offering which you make to God of his Divine Son. Say, then, with a humble heart:

"My beloved God, I acknowledge myself quite unworthy of thy favours; I confess my exceeding unworthiness, and that for my many grievous sins I do not deserve to be heard by thee. But how canst thou refuse to listen to thy Divine Son, who prays upon the altar for me, and offers thee his Blood and his Life? Hear, I beseech thee, my most beloved God, the prayers of this my great Advocate, and for his sake grant me all the graces thou knowest to be necessary for me to accomplish the great affair of my eternal salvation. And now I make bold to ask of thee a general pardon for all my sins, the grace of final perseverance; moreover, I beg of thee, O my God, trusting in the prayers of my Jesus, all virtues in an heroic degree, and all those efficacious helps which I require to become a saint. I also ask of thee the conversion of all unbelievers, and of all sinners, and particularly of those who are related to me, either by ties of kindred, or spiritually; I ask of thee the deliverance, not of one soul only, but of all the souls in purgatory. Bring them all forth. so that by the efficacy of this divine sacrifice that prison of purification may remain empty. Convert all living souls; may this miserable world become a paradise of delights for thee, in which having been loved, and reverenced, and praised by all, may we come at length to praise and bless thee for all eternity. Amen."

Ask then, ask for yourself, for your children, friends, parents, and relations,—ask that all your wants, both spiritual and temporal, may be supplied. Ask, also, for the fulness of all blessings upon the Holy Church, and for its deliverance from all evils; and ask, not with lukewarmness, but with a great confidence, and be assured that your prayers, united to the prayers of Jesus, will have been heard.

As soon as the Mass is over, make an act of thanksgiving to Almighty God; and leave the church with a heart full of compunction, as if you were coming down from Mount Calvary.

The Sacrament of Penance;

WITH INSTRUCTIONS AND DEVOTIONS FOR CONFESSION.

On the Sacrament of Penance.

PENANCE is a sacrament instituted by Christ, in which, by the ministry of the Priest, actual sins are remitted, and the conscience is released from all bonds by which it may be bound. In this sacrament, also, the eternal punishment due to sin is remitted, and part or the whole of the temporal punishment, according to the disposition of the penitent.

Hence we see the great necessity of this sacrament; and the Council of Trent has decreed, that it is not less necessary for salvation to those who have fallen into mortal sin after baptism, than baptism to those who have never been baptised. And although penance may, at first sight, and in itself, seem to be a bitter and painful thing, yet, viewed in its fruits and consequences, it is full of consolation; and every Christian, as soon as he is conscious that he has fallen into a mortal sin, ought at once to have recourse to this fount

The evil consequences of delay are manifold. 1. In a state of mortal sin, every other mortal sin committed becomes more aggravated in its character. 2. The commission of one mortal sin makes a second easier, and this leads to a third, and so on. 3. In a state of mortal sin, a man loses the value of all the good works that he may do. They avail nothing for everlasting life. Neither alms, nor prayers, nor fasts, nor even martyrdom itself, can profit a man, if he has not repented of his sins. 4. Sin, continued in, shuts by degrees the door of divine mercy, until at last scarce any hope is left of obtaining pardon from God. Lastly. Just as the longer a stain remains upon a garment, the more difficult it is to remove, and the longer we neglect to cleanse our chambers or our persons the more defiled they become; so the

longer the soul neglects to purge itself by confession, the more difficult the work becomes, and the more intricate, on account of the number of sins and anxiety of mind, until at last even an experienced confessor may be unable to extricate the soul from its miserable state; and thus the worm of conscience is begotten and nourished, which, though it may not be felt in life, will assuredly sting cruelly in the hour of death, and much more in that place where the worm never dieth, and the fire is not quenched.

The Parts of Penance.

It is not necessary here to enter at any length upon the parts of penance. It will be sufficient to mention that they are three—contrition, confession, and satisfaction, which are absolutely necessary for the perfection of the sacrament and for salvation.

True contrition consists in a hearty sorrow and detestation of our sins, because by them we have offended God, whom we ought to love above all things. To this sorrow must be joined a firm purpose of amendment of life, and of never wilfully sinning again.

In order that confession may be valid, it must be, 1. entire; that is, all mortal sins, as to their number and character, must be laid open to the priest; 2. faithful, that is, true and sincere; 3. diligent, that is, it must be preceded by due diligence and care in the examination of conscience. By satisfaction is meant the performance of the penance enjoined by the priest, as well as other penitential werks, which we may do in satisfaction for the sins which we have committed; and which works are of three kinds, prayer, almsgiving, and fasting, or other corporeal austerities.

Causes which render Confession invalid.

- 1. When any mortal sin is omitted wilfully, from shame or any other motive.
- 2. When a falsehood is told in confession concerning any mortal sin, known to be mortal.
- 3. When any mortal sin is forgotten, which might have been remembered with proper diligence in self-examination.

4. When there is not a full purpose of abandoning sin, and avoiding all dangerous occasions of sin.

5. When the penitent is under any sentence of excommunication, and has not been absolved from it previously to confession.

6. When the penitent, having sins of some consequence to confess, deliberately chooses a young or unskilful confessor, who is not experienced in cases of conscience.

Prayer before Examination of Conscience.

O most merciful God, I give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy mercies unto me, and, particularly at this time, for thy forbearance and long-suffering with me, notwithstanding my many and grievous sins. It is of thy great mercy that I have not fallen into greater and more grievous sins than those which I have committed, and that I have not been cut off and cast into hell. O my God, although I have been so ungrateful to thee in times past, yet now, I beseech thee to accept me returning to thee with an earnest desire to repent, and devote myself to thee, my Lord and my God, and to praise thy holy Name for ever.

Enlighten me, O God, for thou knowest all my ways and observest all my footsteps. Come, thou true light, and dispel the darkness of my heart, that I may see what in me is displeasing unto thee, and that with a contrite heart I may bewail my sins, rightly confess them, and effectually forsake and amend them.

Receive my confession, and spare me, O most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, whom I, an unworthy sinner, am not worthy to name, because I have so often offended thee through my fault, through my own fault, through my own most grievous fault. Behold, O God, I humbly bow my knees before thee. I blush and am confounded, and am ashamed to lift up my face unto thee; for my iniquities are multiplied, and as a heavy burden oppress me. But thou, O most merciful Jesus, be merciful unto me a sinner. Rebuke me not in thine anger, and cast me not away from thy face, O good Jesus,

who hast said that thou willest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live. Receive me, I beseech thee, returning to thee with a penitent and contrite heart. Thou art my Saviour and my God; I am thy servant, although a wicked one, and a most unworthy sinner. Spare me, O most kind Jesus, who didst die upon the cross that thou mightest save sinners. To whom shall I flee but unto thee, my only hope and my salvation? If thou dost reject me, who will receive me? To whom shall I look for assistance? Who will heal my iniquities? Have mercy upon me, O most gracious Lord, and despise not the humble and contrite heart of thy servant. Grant me, I beseech thee, perfect contrition for my sins, that I may detest them with the deepest sorrow of heart. Send forth thy light into my soul, and discover to me all those sins which I ought to confess at this time.

Assist me by thy grace, that I may be able to declare them to the priest thy vicar, fully, humbly, and with a contrite heart, and so obtain perfect remission of them

all through thine infinite goodness. Amen.

O most gracious Virgin Mary, beloved Mother of Jesus Christ my Redeemer, intercede for me with him. Obtain for me the full remission of my sins, and perfect amendment of life, to the salvation of my soul, and the

glory of his name. Amen.

I implore the same grace of thee, O my angel guardian; of you, my holy patrons N. N.; of you, O holy Peter and holy Magdalen, and of all the saints of God. Intercede for me a sinner, repenting of my sins, and resolving to confess and amend them. Amen.

An Examination of Conscience for those who confess their Sins regularly and frequently, according to the threefold duty we owe to God, to our Neighbour, and to ourselves.

I. IN RELATION TO GOD.

1. Have you omitted morning or evening prayer, or neglected to make your daily examination of conscience? Have you prayed negligently, and with wilful distractions? 2. Have

you spent your time, especially on Sundays and holidays, not in sluggishly lying a-bed, or in any sort of idle entertainment, but in reading, praying, or other pious exercises; and taken care that those under your charge have done the like, and not wanted the instructions necessary for their condition, nor time for prayer, or to prepare for the sacraments? 3. Have you spoken irreverently of God and holy things? Have you taken his name in vain, or told untruths? 4. Have you omitted your duty through human respect, interest, compliance, &c.? 5. Have you been zealous for God's honour, for justice, virtue, and truth, and reproved such as act otherwise? 6. Have you resigned your will to God in troubles, necessities, sickness, &c.? Have you faithfully resisted thoughts of infidelity, distrust, presumption, impurity, &c.?

IL. IN RELATION TO YOUR NEIGHBOUR.

1. Have you disobeyed your superiors, murmured against their commands, or spoken of them contemptuously? 2. Have you been troubled, peevish, or impatient, when told of your faults, and not corrected them? Have you scorned the good advice of others, or censured their proceedings? 3. Have you offended any one by injurious threatening words or actions? 4. Or lessened their reputation by any sort of detraction, or in any matter of importance? 5. Or spread any report, true or false, that exposed your neighbour to contempt, or made him undervalued? 6. Have you, by carrying stories backward and forward, created discord and misunderstanding between neighbours? 7 Have you been froward or peevish towards any one in your carriage, speech, or conversation? 8. Or taken pleasure to vex, mortify, or provoke them to swear, curse, or any ways offend God? 9. Have you mocked or reproached them for their corporal or spiritual imperfections? 10. Have you been excessive in reprehending those under your care, or been wanting in giving them just reproof? 11. Have you borne with their oversights and imperfections, and given them good counsel? 12. Have you been solicitous for such as are under your charge; and provided for their souls and bodies?

III. IN BELATION TO YOURSELF.

 Have you been obstinate in following your own will, or in defending your own opinion in things either indifferent, dangerous, or scandalous? 2. Have you taken pleasure in hearing yourself praised, or yielded to thoughts of vanity? 3. Have you indulged yourself in over much ease, or any ways yielded to sensuality? 4. Has your conversation been edifying and moderate; or have you been froward, proud, or troublesome to others? 5. Have you spent over much time in play, or useless employments, and thereby omitted or put off your devotions to unseasonable times?

Examination of Conscience upon the Ten Commandments.

I. "I am the Lord thy God," &c .- Exodus xx.

Have you been guilty of heresy or disbelief, or wilful doubting of any article of faith? How often? and for how long a time? Or have you rashly exposed yourself to the danger of infidelity, by reading bad books, or keeping wicked company? How often?

Have you, by word or deed, denied your religion, or gone to places of false worship, so as to join in any way in the wor-

ship, or to give scandal? How often?

Have you been ignorant of the articles of your creed, of the commandments, or of any of those things which Christians in your station are bound to know? For how long a time?

Have you despaired of salvation, or of the forgiveness of your sins? Or have you rashly presumed upon finding mercy; going on in your sins, without any thoughts of amendment; or depending upon a death-bed repentance? How long have you been in this way?

Have you, after falling into mortal sin, neglected for a long time to turn to God by repentance? and for how long a time?

Have you committed any thing that you judged or doubted to be a mortal sin, though perhaps it was not so? How often? Or have you exposed yourself to the evident danger of mortal sin? How often? and of what sin?

Have you been negligent in the worship of God? seldom or never adoring and praising him, or giving him thanks; praying but little, or with little attention; and neglecting to make acts of faith, hope, or love of God? How long has this negligence continued?

Have you made a sacrilegious confession or communion, by concealing some mortal sin in confession, or what you doubted might be mortal; or for want of a hearty sorrow for your

, sins, and a firm purpose of amendment; or by being grossly negligent in the examination of your conscience? How often?

Have you received any other sacrament, for example, con-

firmation, or matrimony, in mortal sin?

Have you neglected to perform the penance enjoined in confession? or said it with wilful distractions? How often? Have you presumed to receive the blessed sacrament after

having broken your fast?

Have you been guilty of idolatry, or of giving divine honours to my thing evented, or used any witchcraft, or charms, or spells, or such like other disbolical inventions? How often? and with what scandal or ill example to others?

Have you employed prayers or sacred names to supersti-

tions uses? How often?

Have you consulted fortune-tellers, or made use of say superstitious practices, to find out things to come, recover things lost, &c. ? How often?

Have you given credit to dreams, taken notice of omens, or made any other superstitious observations? How often?

Have you blasphemed God or his saints? How often? Have you abused the holy Scriptures, or scoffed at holy things? How often?

The Second Commandment.

"Thou shalt not take the same of the Lord thy God in vain ."

Have you taken God's name in vain, or used it without respect in common discourse? Have you taken a false oath, or sworn to what you did not certainly know whether it was true or false? Have you taken a rash oath, or without a sufficient reason? Have you taken an oath to do any thing that was wicked or unlawful? or broken your lawful oaths? How often?

Have you had a custom of swearing rashly and inconsiderately by the name of God, by your soul, or by the way of imprecation upon yourself? How long have you had this castom? How many times a day have you sworn in this manner? Have you sworn by the blood or wounds of God, or any other blasphemous oath? How often?

Have you cursed yourself or others, or any thing else? and

if so, was it from your heart? How often?

Have you been accessary to others swearing, cursing, or blaspheming? How often?

Have you made a rash vow, without sufficient knowledge dediberation?

Have you broken any vow or solemn promise made to God? How often?

The Third Commandment.

"Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day."

Have you neglected to keep holy the Sunday?

Have you, when prevented from hearing mass on Sundays and holydays, supplied the omission by prayers at home, and taken care that those under your charge did the same?

Have you done any servile work without necessity upon those days? or been accessary to others so doing? How often?

Have you spent those days in idleness or in sin? or been accessary to others spending them so? How often?

The Fourth Commandment.

"Honour thy father and thy mother."

If a Child.—Have you been wanting in your duty to your parents, by not loving them, or not shewing them due respect; or by disobeying them? and was it in any matter of moment? Or have you been disobedient or disrespectful to

any other lawful superiors? How often?

Have you desired your parents' death, or cursed them? Or given them injurious language? Or lifted up your hand against them? Or threatened them? Or provoked them to swear, or otherwise to offend God? Or caused them any considerable trouble or uneasiness? How often?

Have you stolen from your parents, or otherwise wronged them? Or squandered away their substance? How much,

and how often?

Have you neglected to succour your parents in their neces-

sities, either corporal or spiritual?

If a Parent.—Have you been negligent in procuring that your children should be speedily baptised? Or that they should be timely instructed in their prayers and the Christian doctrine? Or have you been wanting in giving them early impressions of the fear and love of God? Or in taking care of their discharging their duty with regard to the sacraments?

Have you neglected to correct them; or been excessive in your correction?

Have you neglected to remove from them the occasions of sin, such as wicked companions, bad books, romances, &c.; or suffered them to lie in the same bed with one another, with danger to their chastity?

Have you flattered them in their passions, or indulged them

in their evil inclinations?

Have you given them bad example? How often, and in what kind?

If a Servant.—Have you disobeyed your master or mistress? Have you been wanting in diligence or industry? • Have you injured or destroyed their property through carelessness or neglect? or suffered others to injure them?

Have you stolen from them, or given any thing away with-

out their knowledge?

Have you betrayed their confidence by revealing their secrets, by tale-bearing, by lies, &c.?

Have you obeyed or flattered them in any thing sinful?

If a Master or Mistress.—Have you neglected to watch

over the conduct of your servants?

Have you refused, without necessity, to allow them time to hear mass on Sundays and holydays, or to frequent the sacraments?

Have you overburdened them with work, or treated them injuriously?

The Fifth Commandment.

"Thou shalt not kill."

Have you been guilty of anger or violent passion? And if so, what scandal was given?

Have you desired any one's death, through hatred or malice? or for your temporal interest? How often?

Have you revenged yourself of any one by word or action, or desired revenge, or taken pleasure in the thoughts of it? How often?

Have you provoked, challenged, or struck others, or been guilty of quarrelling or fighting with them? How often? And what mischief have you done them?

Have you borns malice to others, or refused to be reconciled to them? For how long a time? And what sort of svil had you in your heart against them?

Have you procured, or thought to procure, a miscarriage?

or given any counsel, aid, or assistance thereunto? How often?

Have you done any thing to shorten your own or any other's life, or to hasten death? or rashly exposed yourself or

others to danger? How often?

Have you desired your own death, through passion or impatience? or entertained any thoughts of making away with yourself? or attempted or designed any such thing? How often?

Have you neglected to give alms according to your condition and ability? Or to reclaim sinners when it lay in your

power? How often?

Have you been guilty of any spiritual murder, by drawing others into mortal sin? Or have you been accessary to the sins of others, by counsel, or command, or provocation, or any other way? How often? And what sins?

Have you given scandal, or occasion of sin to others, by lewd or irreligious discourse; by drunkenness or swearing;

by immodesty of dress or behaviour, &c.?

N.B.—The circumstance of scandal is generally found in all sins that are known to others, by reason of the force of ill-example, which encourages others to sin.

The Sixth Commandment.

"Thou shalt not commit adultery."

Have you been guilty of any acts of impurity? (Under this head, all sins against purity must be carefully examined; as well as whatsoever leads to their indulgence or commission.) Have you been guilty of filthy talking? of reading immodest books? of indecency of dress? of looking at unchaste objects? of taking any dangerous or improper liberties?

N.B.—As the sins against this and the Ninth Commandment are most grievous, and, at the same time, most various, the prudent counsel of your director will assist you, if necessary, in a more particular examination.

The Seventh Commandment.

"Thou shalt not steal."

Have you been guiky of stealing, or cheating, or in any way wronging your neighbour in buying or selling, or in any other bargains or contracts? Or have you been accessary to another's committing any such injustice? How often? and to what value?

Have you unjustly retained what belonged to another? How long? and to what injury?

Have you caused any damage to your neighbour in his house, cattle, or other goods? How often?

Have you contracted debts without design of paying them; or without any prospect of being able to pay them? Or have you delayed or refused to pay your just debts when you were able? Or have you, by prodigal expenses, rendered yourself mable; and so wronged your creditors, or your own family? How often?

Have you been guilty of negligence in the securing or administering of trusts confided to your care, whether for ecclesisstical, charitable, or other purposes? Has any actual less resulted from this negligence? To what extent? Have you been negligent in the administration of property otherwise entrusted to you, as guardian or administrator? If so, have others thereby suffered? To what extent?

Have you been guilty of usury, in the loan of money? How

Have you put off false money? How much? How often? Have you professed any art, or undertaken any business, without sufficient skill or knowledge? And what injury has your neighbour suffered from it?

Have you bought or received stolen goods? or taken of

those who could not give? How often?

Have you neglected your work or business to which you were hired, or by contract obliged? How often? and to what injury? Or have you broken your promises in matters of consequence?

N.B.-In all sins of injustice, whereby you have done any wrong to your neighbour, either in his person, or in his goods, or in his character, honour, or good name, you are strictly obliged to make full satis-faction and restitution, if it be in your power, otherwise the sin will not be forgiven.

Have you, then, neglected or delayed, without just cause, to make satisfaction and restitution, when it was in your power? How long?

The Eighth Commandment.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."

Have you been guilty of telling lies? And whether in any matter of consequence, or to the injury of any one? How often?

Have you been guilty of hypocrisy or dissimulation? How often?

Have you entertained a bad opinion of your neighbour without grounds, or judged rashly of his actions or intentions? How often?

Have you been guilty of backbiting, or macharitable conversation, by speaking of the known faults of your absent neighbour? How often?

Have you been genlty of the sin of detraction, which consists in taking away or lessening your neighbour's reputation, by publishing his secret faults or defects? How often have you done so? From what motive? and before how many?

Mave you been guilty of calumny, which consists in saying of your neighbour what is false or uncertain? How often?

and before how many?

N.B.—In either case, you are obliged to restore his character, as far as you are able.

Have you willingly given ear to detraction or calumny? Have you taken pleasure in it? Or in any way encouraged it? Or not hindered it when you might? How often?

Have you injured your neighbour's honour, by reproaches and affronts, or robbed him of his peace of mind, by scoffs

and derision? How often?

Have you, by carrying stories backwards and forwards, or in any other way caused misunderstanding or quarrels betwixt others? How often? and to what prejudice?

N.B.—Here, also, judges, lawyers, solicitors, &c., ought to examine themselves, what injustice they may have been guilty of in managing causes, &c.; as well as accusers, witnesses, &c.

The Ninth Commandment.

"Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife."

Have you taken pleasure in any unchaste thoughts or imaginations? Have you ensertained any impure desires or feelings?

The Tenth Commandment.

"Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's goods."

Have you desired your neighbour's goods, not caring whether you had them right or wrong? Or been in a disposition of stealing, or otherwise wronging him, if it lay in your power? How often?

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Have you desired your neighbour's loss or misfortune, or any public calamity, that you might be the gainer by it? How often?

The Commandments of the Church.

I. Have you neglected to keep holy the days of obligation? Have you worked on those days without necessity, and with-

out leave from your pastor?

II. Have you neglected to hear mass on Sundays and hely-days of obligation? or have you heard it with wilful distractions? or not taken care that your children and servants should hear it? How often?

III. Have you broken the days of abstinence commanded by the Church? or eaten more than one meal on fasting-days? or been accessary to others so doing? How often?

IV., V. Have you neglected to confess your sins once a vear? or to receive the blessed sacrament at Easter?

VI. Have you solemnised marriage at the forbidden times? Have you married within the forbidden degrees of kindred? or with any other known impediment?

The Capital or Deadly Sins.

Pride.—Have you been guilty of pride, or complacency in yourself, or contempt of others? How often?

Have you been guilty of vainglory, by doing your actions

to procure esteem? How often?

Have you taken delight in the esteem and applause of others? or have you been uneasy and discontented when you did not receive such esteem or applause? How often?

Covetousness.—Have you been guilty of covetousness, in desiring or loving too much the things of this world? Have you sought after them too eagerly? or been too much distressed at the loss of them? How often?

For the sins of Lust, see the Sixth Commandment. For the sins of Anger, see the Fifth Commandment.

Gluttony.—Have you been guilty of gluttony, by eating or drinking to excess, so as to endanger or injure your health or reason? How often? and with what scandal?

Have you indulged an inordinate gratification of your appe-

tite? How often?

Have you made others drunk? or sought to make them so? or boasted of having made them so? How often?

Envy.—Have you envied or repined at your neighbour's good, either spiritual or temporal? or rejoiced at his harm? How often?

Have you been guilty of jealousy, in consequence of any attention or preference shewn to others? Have you rejoiced to see them disappointed or mortified?

Sloth.—Have you been guilty of sloth, or laziness of mind or body, which has prevented you from discharging your

duty? How often?

Have you neglected your spiritual duties? or discharged them with tepidity or indolence? Have you studied too much your own ease, leading an unmortified and unchristian life?

Have you squandered away much of your time in idleness or useless occupation?

Have you entertained with pleasure the thoughts of saying or doing any thing which it would be a sin to say or do? How often?

Have you had the desire or design of committing any sin?

Of what sin? How often?

Have you gloried in any sin whatsoever? How often? and before what company? and what sin?

N.B.—Here, also, masters and servants, husbands and wives, lawyers and physicians, ecclesiastics and magistrates, &c. ought to examine into the sins which are peculiar to their states, and how far they may have neglected the duties of their respective callings.

Considerations to excite in our Mind true Contrition for our Sins.

1. Place before yourself, as distinctly as you can, all

the sins that you are going to confess.

2. Consider who He is, and how good and gracious He has been to you, whom you have so often and so much offended by these sins. He made you—he made you for himself, to know, love, and serve him, and to be happy with him for ever. He redeemed you by his blood. He has borne with you and waited for you so long. He it is who has called you and moved you to repentance. Why have you thus sinned against him? Why have you been thus ungrateful? What more could he have done for you? Oh, be ashamed, and mourn,

and hate yourself, because you have sinned against your Maker and your Redeemer, whom you ought to have

loved above all things.

3. Consider the full consequences of even one mortal sin. By it you lose the grace of God. You destroy peace of conscience; you forfeit the felicity of heaven, for which you were created and redeemed; and you prepare for yourself eternal punishment. If we grieve for the loss of temporal and earthly things, how much more for those which are eternal and heavenly? If we grieve at the departure of a soul from the body, how much more at the death of a soul, which is the loss of the presence of the grace of God? "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" And "who can dwell with everlasting burnings?" Who can endure to be cast out from the presence of God for ever?

4. Consider how great has been and is the love of God for you, if only from this, that he hath so long waited for you, and spared you, when he might have so justly cast you into hell. Behold him fastened to the cross for love of you! behold him pouring forth his precious blood to be a fountain to cleanse you from your sins! Hear him saying, "I thirst," as it were with an ardent desire for your salvation. Behold him stretching out his arms to embrace you, and expecting you, until you should come to yourself and turn unto him, and throw yourself before him, and say, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son." Let the consideration of these things touch your heart with love for him who hath so loved you, and love will beget true contrition, most acceptable to God.

A Prayer for obtaining Contrition.

I have now here before me, O Lord, a sad prospect of the manifold offences by which I have displeased thy divine Majesty, and which I am assured will appear in judgment against me, if I repent not, and my soul be not disposed, by a hearty sorrow, to receive thy pardon But this sorrow, O Lord, this repentance, must be thy free gift; and if it comes not from the hand of thy mercy, all my endeavours will be in vain, and I shall be for ever miserable. Have mercy, therefore, on me, O Father of mercies, and pour forth into my heart thy grace, whereby I may sincerely repent of all my sins; give me a true contrition, that I may bewail my past misery and ingratitude, and grieve from my heart for having offended thee so good a God. Permit me not to be deluded with a false sorrow, as, I fear, I have been too often, through my own weakness and neglect; but let it be now thy gift, descending from thee, the Father of lights, that so my repentance may be accompanied with amendment and change of life, and I may be fully acquitted from the guilt of all my sins, and once more received into the number of thy servants. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

An Act of Contrition.

O Lord Jesus Christ, lover of our souls, who, for the great love wherewith thou hast loved us, wouldest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I have offended thee, my most loving Father and Redeemer, unto whom all sin is infinitely displeasing; who hast so loved me that thou didst shed thy blood for me, and endure the bitter torments of a most cruel death. O my God! O infinite Goodness! would that I had never offended thee. Pardon me, O Lord Jesus, pardon me, most humbly imploring thy mercy. Have pity upon a sinner for whom thy blood pleads before the face of the Father.

O most merciful and forgiving Lord, for the love of thee I forgive all who have ever offended me. I firmly resolve to forsake and flee from all sins, and to avoid the occasions of them; and to confess, in bitterness of spirit, all those sins which I have committed against thy divine goodness, and to love thee, O my God, for thine own sake, above all things and for ever. Grant me grace so to do, O most gracious Lord Jesus.

Aspirations before or after Confession.

My Lord and my God, I sincerely acknowledge myself a vile and wretched sinner, unworthy to appear in thy presence; but do thou have mercy on me, and save me.

Mest leving Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am unworthy to be called thy child; make me as one of thy servants, and may I for the future be ever faithful to thee.

It truly grieves me, O my God, to have sinned, and so many times transgressed thy law; but wash me now from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

I detest my sins, O Lord: I abhor my wickedness: I

confess my ingratitude, and seek refuge in thy mercy.

From this moment I purpose never more to offend thee: ch, let me suffer all kinds of pain and infamy, nay even death itself, rather than return to my former course of life, and live thy enemy.

O loving Father, assist me by thy grace, that I may bring forth worthy fruits of penance, and not suffer my sins to go

unpunished.

Now, O Lord, I begin to live, not trusting in my own strength, or in the resolutions I make, but in the multitude of thy mercies. Perfect, O God, the work which thou hast begun in me. Thou hast given me peace and understanding; but, wretched sinner that I am, how ungratefully have I shased all thy gifts. And yet now, with all the tenderness of a loving Father, thou recallest me from sin, and rescuest me from hell and everlasting damnation.

Alas! my soul is full of anguish and confusion at the recollection of the many sins whereby I have offended thee, my-merciful Redeemer, made myself a slave to the devil, and

provoked thy anger.

Oh, that I had never transgressed thy commandments, nor fallen into such an abyes of misery and calamity! Oh, that I had never sinned! Happy those souls who have preserved

their innocence: oh, that I had been so happy!

But now I am resolved, with the help of thy grace, to be more watchful over myself, to amend my failings, and fulfil thy law. Look down on me with the eyes of mercy, O God, and blot out my sins.

Porgive me what is past, and, through thine infinite good-

ness, secure me, by thy grace, against all my wonted failings for the time to come.

My sins surpass in number the sands of the sea, and I confess myself, O Lord, unworthy of thy mercy; but thy goodness is above all my offences.

Thou hast declared, O Lord, that there is joy in heaven for the conversion of a sinner; grant me, then, the grace of true repentance, and let heaven rejoice at my amendment.

Thou willest not the death of a sinner, but that he be converted and live; grant me, then, that spiritual life which I need; for behold, O Lord, I sincerely desire to live to thee.

Thou didst come, O dear Redeemer, not to call the just, but sinners, to repentance; behold a miserable sinner here before thee: oh, draw me powerfully to thyself.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy great mercy; and, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out my iniquities. Sprinkle me with thy precious blood, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let not thy precious blood, my dear Saviour, be shed for me in vain; but may it now bring forth in me the fruit of sincere repentance, and open to me the way to life everlasting.

How great is thy goodness, O Lord, in having so long spared such a worthless servant, and waited with so much patience for his amendment. What return shall I make for thy infinite mercies? Oh, let this mercy be added to the rest, that I may never more offend thee: this single favour I earnestly beg of thee, O Lord, viz. that I may for the future renounce my own way to follow thine.

Help me, O Lord my God, and have compassion on my sinful soul. Amen.

Directions for Confession.

Approach the confessional in a humble and contrite spirit, and, with your head and hands uncovered, kneel down by your confessor. Then, making the sign of the cross, say, Benedicite, or, "Father, give me thy blessing." After he has given the benediction, say the Confiteor, as far as the words, "mea culpa;" then say, "Since my last confession, I accuse myself of ——." Here name all the sins which you have recalled to mind since your last confession; and, in confessing them, be sure to observe these rules.

- 1. Let your confession be entire; i.e. do not knowingly conceal any one sin, otherwise, so far from obtaining absolution, you do but add to your sins. State the kind of sins you have committed, and, as far as you can, their number; and mention any circumstances which you think aggravate the character of your sins: as, e.g. sins of thought are worse in character than out of it; anger may be felt for a longer or shorter time, or with more or less consent of the will; and so
- 2. Let your confession be pure. Let every thing be mentioned sincerely and exactly, without any disguise or dissimulation; let certain things be mentioned as certain, doubtful as doubtful. Avoid all excuses for yourself, either direct or indirect; and take the greatest care not to throw blame on any one else, or to mention or point at any third person. Avoid all superfluous words and matter, and every thing which does not directly concern the litegrity of the confession. Be as concise as you can, consistently with fulness and candour.

3. Let your confession be humble, remembering that you me, in an especial manner, in the presence of God, from whom, through his priest, you are seeking and expecting pardon. The thought of God at this moment will be your best protection against all false shame, insincere trifling, and affectation

After you have confessed all your sins, according to these rules, say, "For these and all my sins which I have ever at any time committed against God, my neighbour, or myself, I am heartily sorry, for the love of God; I purpose amendment, and seek pardon of God, and penance and absolution from thee, my ghostly Father; Ideo precor, or, "Therefore I besech, Blessed Mary," &c., to the end of the Confiteor.

Then listen attentively and humbly to the direction and advice of your confessor, and be fully resolved to do whatever he bids you to do, either in the way of penance, or restitution, or reparation, or for the avoiding of sin in fature.

After Confession.

1. As soon after confession as you conveniently can, perform your penance, and renew your resolutions of avoiding all sin, and of adopting all the means for so doing, by avoiding the eccasions and temptations of sin; and then you may have a perfect confidence, with devout thankfulness, that all your sine, through the mercy of God, are forgiven.

2. Consider how you can amend your life. This will be best done by fixing your attention on one or two of your more prominent defects of character, and directing your chief efforts to overcome these by such means as the following:-1. Conceive a strong desire to overcome these faults, frequently renew your resolution, and examine yourself particularly 2. When you commit them, punish yourself upon them. in some way for it. 3. Endeavour always to have the thought of Christ present in your mind, and direct short prayers to him, especially when you are attacked by temptations, or when you are necessarily exposed to the danger of sinning. 4. Meditate frequently on those subjects most calculated to excite your fears, hopes, and affections, as death and judgment, the love of God, his kindnesses to you, his promises, &c. Be earnest, and persevere, with a good hope of victory, through the grace of Christ.

Prayers after Confession.

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Accept, O Lord, I beseech thee, this my confession, and mercifully pardon all my deficiencies, that, according to the greatness of thy mercy, I may be fully and perfectly absolved in heaven; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, &c.

II.

O almighty and most merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, hast vouchsafed once more to receive this prodigal child, after so many times going astray from thee, and to admit him to this sacrament of reconciliation; I give thee thanks with all the powers of my soul for this and all other mercies, graces, and blessings bestowed on me, the most unworthy of all sinners; and prostrating myself at thy sacred feet, I offer myself now to be henceforth for ever thine. Oh! let nothing in life or death ever separate me from thee. I once more renounce with my whole soul all my treasons against thee, and all the abominations and sins of my past life. I renew my promises made in baptism.

and from this moment I dedicate myself eternally to thy love and service. Oh! grant that for the time to come I may ever fly and abhor sin more than death itself, and avoid all such occasions and companies as have unhappily brought me to it. I resolve henceforth to fly them all, by thy divine grace, without which, of myself, I can do nothing. I resolve to perform such and such devotions for obtaining this grace. I resolve to fly idleness, and to set myself a regular order and method of life, for the time I have yet to come. I beg thy blessing upon these my resolutions, that they may not be ineffectual, like so many others I have formerly made; for, O Lord, without thee I am nothing but misery and sin. Supply, also, by thy mercy, whatever defects have been in this my confession. I am sensible that it hath been very imperfect, and that I was far from having that true sorrow which the heinousness of my sins required; but let the precious bloed of thine only Son make up this deficiency. Accept of my poor performance, such as it is, and give me grace to be now and always a true penitent, through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son. Amen.

A PROTESTATION,

Becommended by St. Francis of Sales, to be made by the penitent in presence of his Director, by way of engraving in his soul a firm resolution of serving God. It may be used also in private.

I, N. N., placed in the presence of the eternal God, and of all the court of heaven, having considered the exceeding mercy of his divine goodness towards me, a most unworthy and wretched creature, whom he hath made out of nothing, preserved, maintained, and delivered from so many dangers, and loaded with so many benefits; but, above all, having considered the incomprehensible sweetness and clemency with which this most good God hath so graciously spared me in my iniquities, so frequently called upon me, inviting me to amend, and so patiently expected my repentance and conversion until this present time, notwithstanding all my ingratitude, disloyalty, and infidelity, whereby deferring my conversion, and despising his graces, I have

so unadvisedly offended him; having, moretver, considered that, upon the day of my holy baptism, I was so happily and helily vowed and dedicated to my God to be his child; and that, contrary to the profession then made in my name, I have so many times, so ensecrably and detestably, profuned and violated all the powers of my soul and senses of my body, applying and employing them against his divine Mejesty; at length, returning to myself, prostrate in heart and mind before the throne of the divine justice, I acknowledge, confess, and avow myself lawfully attainted and convicted of high treason against his divine Majesty, and guilty of the death and passion of Jesus Christ, by reason of the sins which I have committed, for which he died, and suffered the torser, so that I am worthy to be cast away, and condemned for ever.

But turning myself towards the throne of the infinite mercy of the same eternal God, having detested from the bottom of my heart and with all my power, the many transgressions of my past life; I most humbly beg and crave pardon, grace, and mercy, with an entire absolution from my offences, by virtue of the death and passion of the same Saviour and Redeemer of my soul; on which relying, as on the only foundation of my hope, I confirm again and renew the sacred profession of allegiance made in my behalf to God at my baptism; renouncing the devil, the world, and the flesh; abominating their horrible suggestions, vanities, and concupiscences, for all the time of this present life, and for all eternity: And converting myself unto my most gra-cious and merciful God, I desire, purpose, determine, and resolve irrevocably to serve and love him now and for year. And to this end I give and consecrate to him my st. rit with all its faculties, my soul with all its powers, my heart with all its affections, and my body with all its of my being against his divine will and sovereign Majesty; to whom I offer up and sacrifice myself in spirit to be perpetually a loyal, obedient, and faithful creature, without ever unsaying, revoking, or repenting me of this resolution.

But if, alas! by the suggestion of the enemy, or through human frailty, I chance to transgress, in any thing whatsoever, this my purpose and resolution, I protest and determine from this very hour, by the assistance of the Holy Ghost, to arise again as soon as I shall perceive my fall, and to return anew to the divine mercy, without any delay or protraction whatsoever. This is my will, intention, and resolution, inviolable and irrevocable, which I profess and confirm without reservation or exception, in the same sacred presence of my God, and in sight of the whole triumphant Church, and in the face of the Church militant my mother [who hears this my declaration, in the presence of him who, as her officer, hears me in this action].

May it please thee, O my eternal God, almighty and gracious Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to confirm me in this my resolution, and to accept this inward sacrifice of my heart, in the odour of sweetness. And as it hath pleased thee to give me inspiration and will to do this, so grant me power and grace to perform it. O my God, thou art my God, the God of my heart, the God of my soul, and the God of my spirit. So I acknowledge and

adore thee now and for ever. Live, O Jesus!

A Thanksgiving after Confession.

I return unto thee, O Lord Jesus, and give thee thanks that thou hast been pleased to cleanse me from the foul leprosy of my sins. Blessed be thy Name, O Lord, for ever and ever. Truly thou art a Saviour who rejectest none that come unto thee seriously desiring to repent, but receivest them into thy favour, and numberest them with thy children. I acknowledge and adore thy mercy, and dedicate myself wholly to thy service hereafter. Assist my weakness, and suffer me not again to fall into my past sins and be separated from thee; but so bind my heart and soul to thee with the cords of thy love, that I may say with the Apostle, Who shall separate me from the love of Christ 2

Sentiments of Confidence.

My God, thou art the source and centre of all that is good. I adore thy infinite goodness; I unite myself to it; I lean entirely upon it, not so much for the benefits which I receive from it, as for its own sake. I can discover nothing good in myself, not a single action done with that exactness and perfection which thou demandest. Not in myself, not in my works, but in thee alone do I trust, O thou mercy infinite, who in a single moment, art able to work in me all that is necessary to make me acceptable unto thee. In this confidence I live, and from this day forward I place in thy hands my heart, my body, my mind, my soul, my will, my salvation, my all, desiring of thee to dispose of them for time and eternity. O Jesus, Son of the living God, who camest into the world to redeem and save my soul. I interpose thy precious blood, thy most holy death and passion, thy adorable wounds, and, above all, the wound in thy sacred Heart, as a shield betwixt the Divine justice and my sins. Henceforth my comfort and my trust shall be in thee, O Son of God, who hast loved me, and hast given thyself for me, and hast just applied to me the merits of this ineffable gift, in the Sacrament of Penance.

Meditation of a Heart touched with a Sense of God's
Goodness.

O Father of mercies, how good art thou! great as is the wickedness of man, it is not so great as thy paternal compassion. Often as I had trodden under foot the adorable blood of thy Son, thou hadst treasures of grace and patience still in store for me, a miserable sinner. Thou didst not grow weary of waiting for me, O most merciful God, who shrinkest from punishing over much; who hesitatest to smite the vessel of clay formed by thy hands. That patience of thine, which formerly encouraged me in sloth, now softens my heart. Never again will I allow myself in evil because thou art good. Never again will I think myself dispensed from loving thee because of thy great love for me. This very day I will begin to live anew. The time left to me is short enough for bewailing my sins, and for atoning by my ardour in thy service for the years which I have lost. With Saul I will exclaim, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?

Directions to be kept in mind after Confession.

In order to avoid falling back into sin:

1. Remember that after confession sin becomes much more grievous than before it, because of the promise made to God not to offend him any more, and the abuse of the sacrament and the grace of Jesus Christ. There is also danger lest God should not grant you longer time for penance and you should die in your sins.

2. Consider that to fall back into sin after confession is to condemn your past repentance, and to say you were wrong in detesting your old sins and bewaiting them, and still more in purposing amendment of life. Can a more horrible state of mind be

conceived?

3. He who relapses into sin after confession pronounces this iniquitous sentence in his heart: The devil, whom I intend to serve, is a better master than Almighty God, whose service I abandon, although I have experienced his goodness, and tasted its sweet-ness. Ah, what horrible perfidy!

4. Consider that he who falls again into sin after confession makes in his heart another Calvary, and raises a new cross, on which he desires that Jesus should die again. He cries out against Jesus that he should be crucified again; he arms himself against him, to put him once more to a most cruel death. Oh, think how terrible this is!

5. Consider how it was you fell into sin after your past confessions, and make practical and particular, not mere general, resolutions about these occasions of your sins; otherwise you will quickly fall again. It will always be much more easy for you to avoid the occasion of sin than to avoid the sin when placed in the occasion of it. Remember in your confession you gave your word to Almighty God that you would not offend him again; but if you do not avoid the occasions of sin, you break your word, because you wilfully expose yourself to the danger of fresh falls. Oh, if penitents would but avoid the occasions of sin, how much more faithful would they be to God! how much more constant in preserving the

grace they have recovered!

6. If, therefore, you find that you fell into sin after confession because you did not recommend yourself often enough to Almighty God, do not for the future neglect to pray, but settle with yourself to give a certain time every day to prayer. If it has been because you neglected to meditate on the Passion of Jesus Christ, make a rule to yourself to think of it as often as you can, and at certain fixed times more particularly. If you have sinned because you did not frequent the sacraments, promise Almighty God to avail yourself of them more frequently, and think how often you will be able to do so without much inconvenience, and be faithful to the times you choose. If it was because you did not have recourse to our dear Lady, as to your most loving Mother, do not for the future live apart from her sweet love, her omnipotent protection; but pray to her, have recourse to her in day to her, and pray her to preserve you from the curse of sin, and be assured she will certainly do so; but especially fix upon some devotions in her honour which you can undertake to be faithful in practising every day.

Hymns on Contrition and the mercy of God, see p. 190.

The Penitential Bsalms."

Ant. Remember not, O Lord, parents: neither take thou venour offences, nor those of our geance of our sins.

Psalm vi. Domine, ne in furore.

- 1. David, in deep affliction, prays for a mitigation of the Divine anger: 4. in consideration of God's mercy; 5. his glory; 6. his own repentance. 8. By faith he triumphs over his enemies.
- in thine indignation: nor chastise me in thy wrath.

2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : heal me, O Lord, for my bones are

troubled. 3 My soul also is troubled exceedingly: but thou, O Lord,

how long? 4 Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul: O save me

for thy mercy's sake. 5 For in death there is no one that remembereth thee: and who will give thee thanks

in hell? 6 I have laboured in my groanings, every night will I

1 O Lord, rebuke me not wash my bed: and water my couch with my tears.

7 Mine eye is troubled through indignation: I have grown old among all mine

enemies. 8 Depart from me, all ye that work iniquity: for the

Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping. 9 The Lord hath heard my

supplication: the Lord hath received my prayer.

10 Let all mine enemies be

ashamed and sore vexed: let them be turned back, and be ashamed very speedily.

Glory &c.

Psalm xxxi. Beati quorum.

- 1. The blessedness of those whose sins are forgiven. 3, The misery of impenitence. 6. Confession of sin brings ease, 8. safety, 14. joy.
- 1 Blessed are they whose whose sins are covered. iniquities are forgiven : and 2 Blessed is the man to
- It is a pious custom to recite the seven penitential Psalms, respectively, by way of prayer against the seven deadly sins.

whom the Lord hath not imputed sin: and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 Because I was silent, my bones grew old: while I cried

aloud all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: I turned in my anguish, while the thorn was fastened in me.

5 I have acknowledged my sin unto thee: and my injustice have I not concealed.

6 Isaid, I will confess against myself my injustice to the Lord: and thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

7 For this shall every one that is holy pray unto thee:

in a seasonable time.

8 But in the flood of many waters: they shall not come nigh unto him.

9 Thou art my refuge from

the trouble which hath surrounded me: my joy, deliver me from them that compass me about.

10 I will give thee understanding, and will instruct thee in the way, wherein thou shalt go: I will fix mine eyes upon

thee.

11 Be ye not like unto horse and mule: which have no understanding.

12 With bit and bridle bind fast the jaws of those: who come not nigh unto thee.

13 Many are the scourges of the sinner: but mercy shall compass him about that hopeth in the Lord.

14 Be glad, O ye just, and rejoice in the Lord: and glory all ye that are right of heart.

Glory &c.

Pasim munii. Domine, ne in furore.

David's extreme anguish.
 He hopes in God.
 His resignation and grief.
 Prayer.

1 O Lord, rebuke me not in thine indignation: nor chastise me in thy wrath.

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me: and thou hast laid thy hand heavily upon me.

3 There is no health in my flesh because of thy wrath: there is no rest to my bones because of my sins.

4 For my iniquities are gone over my head: and, like a heavy burden, press sorely upon me.

5 My wounds have putrified and are corrupt: because of my foolishness.

6 I am become miserable, and am bowed down even to

the end: I go sorrowfully all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled with illusions: and there is no soundness in my flesh.

8 I am afflicted and humbled exceedingly: I have roared for the groaning of my heart.

9 Lord, all my desire is before thee: and my groaning is not hidden from thee.

10 My heart is troubled, my strength hath failed me: the very light of mine eyes is gone from me.

11 My friends and my neighbours: drew near, and stood up against me.

12 They that were ones

nigh me stood afar off: and they that sought after my soul did violence against me.

13 And they that sought to do me evil talked vanities : and imagined deceits all the day

long.

14 But I, as a deaf man, heard not: and as one that is dumb, who openeth not his mouth.

15 I became as a man that heareth not : and that hath no reproofs in his mouth.

16 For in thee, O Lord, have I hoped: thou wilt hear

me, O Lord my God.

17 For I said, Let not mine enemies at any time triumph over me: and when my feet slip, they have spoken great

things against me.

18 For I am prepared for scourges: and my sorrow is always before me.

19 For I will confess mine iniquity: and will think upon

my sin.

20 But mine enemies live. and are strengthened against me: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

They that render evil for good spake against me: because I followed goodness.

22 Forsake me not. O Lord my God: go not thou far from me.

23 Haste thee to my help: O Lord God of my salvation. Glory &c.

Miserere. (Latin, see p. 426.) Psalm l.

1. David prays for remission of his sins; 8. for perfect sanctity. 17. God delights not in sacrifice, but in a contrite heart. prays for the exaltation of the Church.

1 Have mercy upon me, O God: according to thy great

mercy.

2 And according to the multitude of thy tender mercies: blot out my iniquity.

3 Wash me yet more from my iniquity: and cleanse me

from my sin.

For I acknowledge my iniquity: and my sin is always

before me.

5 Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil in thy sight: that thou mayest be justified in thy words, and mayest overcome when thou art iudged.

6 For behold, I was conceived in iniquities : and in sins did my mother conceive me.

7 For behold, thou hast loved

truth: the uncertain and hidden things of thy wisdom thou hast made manifest unto me.

8 Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: thou shalt wash me. and I shall be made whiter than snow.

9 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: and the bones that were humbled shall rejoice.

10 Turn away thy face from my sins: and blot out all my iniquities.

11 Create in me a clean heart. O God: and renew a right spirit within my bowels.

12 Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy spirit from me.

18 Restore unto me the

of thy salvation: and strengthen me with a perfect spirit.

14 I will teach the unjust thy ways: and the wicked shall be converted unto thee.

15 Deliver me from blood, O God, thou God of my sal-

vation: and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

16 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall

declare thy praise.
17 For if thou hadst desired sacrifice, I would surely have

given it: with burnt-offerings thou wilt not be delighted.

18 The sacrifice to God is an afflicted spirit: a contrite and humble heart, O God, thou

wilt not despise.

19 Deal favourably, O Lord, in thy good will with Sion:

that the walls of Jerusalem may be built up.

20 Then shalt thou accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations, and whole burnt-offerings: then shall they lay calves upon thine altars.

Glory &c.

Psalm ci. Domine, exaudi.

 The extreme affliction of the Psalmist. 12. The eternity and the mercy of God, 19. to be recorded and praised by future generations. 26. The unchangeableness of God.

1 O Lord, hear my prayer: and let my cry come unto thee.

2 Turn not away thy face from me: in the day when I am in trouble, incline thine ear unto me.

3 In what day soever I shall call upon thee: O hearken

unto me speedily.

4 For my days are vanished like smoke: and my bones are dried up like fuel for the fire.

5 I am smitten as grass, and my heart is withered: for I have forgotten to eat my bread.

6 Through the voice of my groaning: my bones have cleaved to my flesh.

7 I am become like a pelican in the wilderness: and like a

night-raven in the house.

8 I have watched: and am become like a sparrow that

sitteth alone on the house-top.

9 Mine enemies reviled me all the day long; and they that

praised me have sworn together against me.

10 For I have eaten ashes as it were bread: and mingled my drink with weeping.

11 Because of thine indignation and wrath: for thou hast lifted me up and cast me down.

12 My days are gone down like a shadow: and I am wi-

thered like grass.

13 But thou, O Lord, endurest for ever: and thy memorial to all generations.

14 Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Sion: for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

15 For thy servants have delighted in her stones: and they shall have compassion on the earth thereof.

16 The Gentiles shall fear thy name, O Lord: and all the

kings of the earth thy glory.

17 For the Lord hath built

up Sion: and he shall be seen in his glory.

18 He hath had regard unto the prayer of the lowly: and hath not despised their peti-

19 Let these things be written for another generation: and the people that shall be created shall praise the Lord.

20 For he hath looked down from his high and hely place: out of heaven hath the Lord looked upon the earth.

21 That he might hear the groaning of them that are in letters: that he might deliver the children of the slein.

22 That they may declare the name of the Lord in Sion : and his praise in Jeruselem.

23 When the people assemble together: and kings, that they may serve the Lord.

24 He answered him in the way of his strength: Declare unto me the fewness of my

davs.

25 Call me not away in the midst of my days: thy years are unto generation and generation.

26 Thou, Lord, mathe beginwing didst lay the foundations of the earth: and "he heavens are the work of thy hands.

27 They shall perish, but thou endurest: and they all shall grow old as a garment.

28 And as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

29 The children of thy servents shall continue; and their seed shall be directed for ever.

Glory &c.

Psalm exxix. De profundis: (Latin, see p. 427.)
The cry of a contrite heart imploring the Divine mercy.

1 Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

2 Oh, let thine ears consider well: the voice of my supplication.

3 If thou, O Lord, shalt

mark iniquities: Lord, who shall abide it?

4 For with thee there is propitiation: and because of thy w I have waited for thee, O-Lord.

5 My soul hath waited on his word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

6 From the morning watch even until night: let Israel hope in the Lord.

7 For with the Lord there is merey: and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel: from all his inequities.

- Glory &c.

Psalm cxlii. Domine exaudi.

 David prays for favour in judgment. 3: He represents his distress. He prays for grace; 2. for deliverance; Ih for sanctification; 12. for victory over his enemies.

1 Hear my prayer, O Lord; thy truth: hearken unto me give ear to my supplication in for thy justice' sake.

2 And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul: he hath brought my life down unto

the ground.

4 He hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead: and my spirit is vexed within me, my heart within me is troubled.

5 I have remembered the days of old, I have mused upon all thy works: I have mused upon the works of thy hands.

6 I have stretched forth my hands unto thee: my soul gaspeth unto thee, as a land where no water is.

7 Hear me speedily, O Lord: my spirit hath fainted away.

8 Turn not away thy face from me: lest I be like anto them that go down into the pit.

9 Make me to hear thy

mercy in the morning: for in thee have I hoped.

10 Make me to know the way wherein I should walk:

for to thee have I lifted up my soul.

11 Deliver me from mine enemies, O Lord; unto thee have I fied: teach me to do thy will, for thou art my God.

12 Thy good spirit shall lead me into the right land: for thy name's sake, O Lord, thou shalt quicken me in thy

justice.

13 Thou shalt bring my soul out of trouble: and in thy mercy thou shalt destroy mine

enemies.

14 Thou shalt destroy all them that afflict my soul; for I am thy servant.

Glory &c.

Ant. Remember not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our parents: neither take thou vengeance of our sins.

HYMNS ON CONTRITION AND THE MERCY OF GOD.

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Instructions on Indulgences, with Debotions.

Every good work has a threefold value: merit, satisfaction, and impetration. And as the divine goodness, in consideration of our weakness, has ordained, that by the use of the sacraments, ex opere operato, we increase our merit; and by the impetration of the saints and the prayers of the Church we obtain many things independently of our own labour; so he has left to us also the treasure of indulgences, by which, through the satisfaction of Christ and the saints, we may obtain full and speedy satisfaction for the temporal punishment due to our sins either in this life or the next.

I. What an Indulgence is.

By an indulgence is meant the remission of the temporal gunishment due to us on account of our sins. Every sin, however grievous, is remitted through the sacrament of penance, or by an act of perfect contrition, as regards its guilt and the eternal punishment due to it. But the debt of temporal punishment is not always remitted at the same time. This latter is done away with by deep penitence, or by works of satisfaction, e.g. prayers, alms, fasting, &c.; or by the patient endurance of troubles and adversities sent us by God, &c.; or by the satisfaction of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Saints, applied to us by those who have the power to apply them.

And although, in order to escape this temporal punishment, we must not rely on indulgences alone, to the neglect of good works; yet because, at the best, our own good works are very imperfect, and the debt of punishment due to us very great, we ought to endeavour, as frequently as possible, to avail ourselves of the benefits of indulgences.

Indulgences are of two kinds :-- lst. A plenary indulgence,

when duly gained, is a full and entire remission of all the temporal punishment due to sin. The eight indulgences granted to the faithful in England, at the principal festivals of the year, are plenary indulgences. A jubilee is also a plenary indulgence occasionally granted by the Pope to the whole Church, in the most ample manner, and with the greatest solemnity. 2d. A partial, or limited indulgence, as of ten years, or a hundred days, &c., remits as much of the temporal punishment as would have been remitted by 10 years, or 100 days, &c., of the canonical penances formerly imposed on public penitents.

II. What is required for obtaining an Indulgence.

1. That we should be in a state of grace; that is, free from all mortal sin. Hence the sacraments of penance and the holy eucharist are always enjoined as pre-requisites for obtaining an indulgence. For indulgences only apply to the punishment of sin; they suppose the guilt to have been removed. And although the guilt may be removed while the punishment is reserved, punishment cannot be remitted while the guilt remains.

2. In order to gain an indulgence, it is necessary to perform the prescribed works; for it is under this condition that indulgences are granted. But power is generally given to confessors to change the works for some others, in the case of the sick, or persons who are confined, and who cannot therefore fulfil some of the conditions, such as fasting, or visiting certain churches. It is absolutely necessary, at the very least, that the works required for the indulgence should all be done in a state of grace.

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.It may be useful to add here a list of indulgences attached to some of the prayers in this book:—

1. For the acts of faith, hope, and charity (p. 52), 1st. An indulgence of 7 years and as many quadragenæ, or 40 days, as often as you recite these acts. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a month,* granted to all who shall recite the acts every day for a month, and shall confess their sins and receive the holy communion, praying for the usual intentions of the Church. 3d. A plenary indulgence at the hour of death, if

^{*} By a month is meant a calendar month, January, Petersery, &c.

you recite the acts at that time, and, if possible, after sacra-

mental confession and holy communion.

2. For the Angelus Domini, or The Angel of the Lord, &c. (p. 30), 1st. An indulgence of 100 days as often as you repeat it. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a month, to all who shall say this prayer at least once a day, every day in the month, at the sound of the bell; and who shall confess, and communicate, and pray for the usual intentions of the Church.

Observe that the Angelus is always to be said kneeling, except on Saturday evening and on Sunday, when it is to be said standing. In Paschal time, instead of the Angelus, the Regina cali is said, together with the versicle and prayer, standing. Those who are not able to remember these prayers, may gain the indulgence by saying the usual Angelus standing. In places where the bell is not heard, it is sufficient to recite the Angelus about the time at which the bell is rung.

3. For the De profundis and the versicle Requiem externam, to be said after the evening Angelus. 1st. An indulgence of 100 days. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a year to those who repeat the above every day. Those who do not know the De profundis may gain the same indulgences by repeating instead an Our Father and a Hail Mary, with the versicle as above.

4. For the Litany of the Holy Name. An indulgence of

300 days as often as you recite it.

5. For the Angele Dei, or Angel of God, &c. &c. (p. 38). 1st. An indulgence of 100 days as often as you recite this prayer. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a month, on any day they choose, to all who shall say it daily for a month; and who confess, and communicate, and pray for the intentions of the Church, in some public church. 3d. A plenary indulgence on the feast of the holy Angel Guardians (October 2d), provided that you have said the prayer for a whole year, morning and evening; and perform the usual conditions of confession, communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Church. 4th. A plenary indulgence at the hour of death, if during life you have frequently repeated this prayer. All these indulgences may be applied to the souls in purgatory.

6. For the Trisagium, or Holy, holy, holy, &c. (p. 39). lst. An indulgence of 100 days, once every day. 2d. Three ames on Trinity Sunday, and every day during the octave; as well as on every Sunday in the year. 3d. A plenary in-

dulgence once a wolith; on wide of choice, for those who shall have repeated it every day for a month, with the usual conditions.

In For saying the Sabre Region (p. 185) in the morning, and the Sec Turns president (p. 322) in the evening, adding

to each the following verside: " "

V. Dignare me laudare te, V. Vouchsafe that I may Virgo sacrata. Praise thee, O sacred Virgin.

Ry. Da mini virtutem contra Ry. Give me strength against hostes tuos. my enemies.

7. Benedictus Deus in Sanc- 7. Blessed be God in his tis suis.

Ry. Amen. Ry. Amen.

1st. An indulgence of 100 days, every day. 2d. An indulgence of 7 years and T quadragence every Sunday. 3d. A plenary indulgence on any two Sundays in every month, on all the feast of the Blessed Virgin, on the feast of All Saints, to those who sepeat the above-mentioned prayers every day, with the usual conditions; and also at the hour of death.

8. For 3 Glorias, to be said 3 times a day, meraing, moon, and night, in thanksgiving to the Most Hely Trinity for the particular graces granted to the Messed Virgin, and expecially her Assumption. Let "An indulgence of 300 days.

2d. An indulgence of 100 days each of the said times. 3d. A plenary indulgence once a month, on any day at choice, to those who repeat them 3 times a day for a month, with the usual conditions. These indulgences may be applied to the levels in purgatory.

9. For 3 Our Fathers, in memory of the Passion and Agony of Jesus Christ; and 3 Hail Marys, in memory of the Dolours of the Blessed Virgin; to be said for the dying. Ist. An indulgence of 300 days as often as they are said. 2d. A plenary indugence to those who repeat them once a day for a month, with the usual conditions. These indulgences may

be applied to the souls in purgatory.

10. For invoking the names of Jesus and Mary. 1st. An indusence of 25 days each time. 2d. A plenary indusers at the hour of death to those who have been in the habit of invoking them, and who, being truly contrite, invoke them at that hour, at least in heart, if they cannot with their lips

Also an indulgence of 300 days every time the three fol-lowing ejaculatory prayers are said, to obtain a happy death. Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, I give you my heart and my

Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, assist me in my last agony. Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, may I die in peace in your

blessed company.

For saying any one of them 100 days.

- 11. For the Litary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 1st. An indulgence of 300 days as often as you recite it with a devout and contrite heart. 2d. A pleasary indulgence on the five principal feasts of the Blessed Wirgin Mary, viz. the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity, the Annunciation, the Purification, and the Assumption, to all who shall say the Litany every day, without missing one day in the year. It is necessary that they should confess, and communicate, and pray for the intentions of the Charren, in some public church. These induscences may be applied to the souls in purgatory.

 12. For the Rosary. 1st. An induscence of 100 days for
- every Pater and Ave, as often as you recite the fifteen decades of the Rosary, or, at least, five decades. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a year on any day you discose. If you are security and if you consecutioned to say at least five decades than, and if you conless, and communicate, and pray for the wants of the Church. But in order that you may obtain these indulgences, two things are necessary: that the Rosary which you use shall have these indulgences attached to it by some priest who has faculties for so doing; and also that you piously and attentively meditate on each decade, or one of the fifteen mysteries. in the order indicated in this book, p. 656.

13. For the Veni Creator. 1st. An indulgence of 100 days Toften as you recite this hymn. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a month, on any day they choose, to all who say this hymn daily for a month, and who confess, and communicate, and pray for the wants of the Church. 8d. An incluigence of 300 days as often as you say this kymm on the feast of Pentecost, or on any day within the octave. All these includences may be applied to the souls in purgatory.

14. For the Veni Sancte Spiritus. The same indulgences

tre annexed to this hymn as to the preceding.

15. For the Stabat Mater. An indelgence of 100 days as often as you recite it.

16. For the Pange lingua, &c. Ist. An indulgence c

300 days may be gained once every day by devoutly reciting this hymn, together with the versicle, Panem de cælo, &c., and the prayer, Deus qui nobis, &c. 2d. An indulgence of 100 days for reciting the two last stanzas of the hymn, Tantum ergo, &c., with the versicle and the prayer. 3d. A plenary indulgence three times a year (viz. on Maunday Thursday; the feast, or at least a day within the octave, of Corpus Christi; and any other day, at choice), to all who shall have said the hymn, or at least the single stanza Tantum ergo, ten times in each month, with the usual conditions, and a visit to some church. These indulgences may be applied to the souls in purgatory.

17. For the Penitential Psalms. An indulgence of forty

days as often as you recite them.

18. For the Gradual Psalms. The same.

19. For the prayer at the end of the Litany of the Passion (O God, who for the redemption of the world, &c.), together with 5 Our Fathers, 5 Hail Marys, and 5 Glorias. 1st. An indulgence of 300 days, once every day. 2d. A plenary indulgence on repeating it every day for a month, with the usual conditions. These indulgences may be applied to the souls in purgatory.

20. For the prayer, Look down, O Lord, &c. (p. 500), to be said on the knees before the Blessed Sacrament. 1st. An indulgence of 100 days, once every day. 2d. A plenary indulgence the first Thursday in each month, to all who shall repeat it after confession and communion, and shall pray for the wants of the Church. 3d. An indulgence of 7 years and 7 quadragenæ, every Thursday, with the same conditions.

21. For the prayer to St. Aloysius Gonzaga (O holy Aloysius, adoraed, &c.), at the end of his Litany, together with an Our Father and a Hail Mary. An indulgence of 100 days

(applicable also to the departed), once a day.

22. For the ejaculation of resignation to the will of God (p. 39). 1st. An indulgence of 100 days, once every day. 2d. A plenary indulgence once a year, on any day at choice, with the usual conditions, to those who shall have repeated it every day for a year. These indulgences are applicable to the souls in purgatory.

23. For daily meditation. A plenary indulgence once a month (with the usual conditions) to all who shall perform this most necessary exercise of piety every day for a month, for half an hour, or at least for a quarter of an hour daily.

This indulgence (applicable to the souls in purgatory) may

be obtained on any day in the month.

24. For the Stations. All the indulgences are annexed to these Stations, which were granted to those persons who visited the places in the Holy Land consecrated by any special mystery of the Passion of Christ. All these indulgences, many of which are plenary, can be applied to the souls of the departed; and in order to obtain them it is only necessary to be in the state of grace; neither confession nor communion is required.

25. Pius IX. grants, 1st, an indulgence of 100 days to all who recite the antiphon, versicle, and collect; Give peace, O Lord, in our days (p. 46). 2d. A plenary indulgence once a month to such as shall have recited them once a day, with the usual conditions. These indulgences may be applied to the

souls in purgatory.

26. Pius IX. also grants an indulgence of 3 years to all

who recite with devotion the following prayer:

O Lord Jesus Christ, grant, I beseech thee, that thy Passion may be to me a power to strengthen and defend me; thy Wounds my meat and drink, to feed, inebriate, and delight me; the Sprinkling of thy Blood, the washing away of all my sins; thy Death, my everlasting glory. Herein, O dearest Lord, be my refreshment, my rejoicing, my health, and the sweet solace of my heart; who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Other devotions to which indulgences are attached will be found in their places.

PRAYERS FOR OBTAINING PLENARY INDULGENORS. (See also p. 192, II.)

For obtaining the Indulgences, it is sufficient to say with devotion five Our Fathers and five Hall Marys; but the following are the forms commonly used. They are applicable either to those who use them or to the scale in purgatory, and may be said either at the time of the Jubiles or on any other occasion.

Preparatory Prayer.

Almighty and everlasting God, I trust that by thy mercy I am absolved from all my sins, and delivered from eternal damnation: vet since I am still obnoxious to the

temporal punishments due unto my sins, and my own works are not sufficient to make satisfaction for them, I fly to the inexhaustible treasury of the merits of thy only begotten Son and of thy saints, that, by their abundance, my defects and infimities may be supplied. I cheerfully offer myself to do all those things which are appointed for obtaining this end. Receive them, O Father of mercies, in union with the passion and death of the same thy Son, and make me, atthough unworthy, partaker of this plenary indulgence.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

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PIRST PRAYER.

To God the Father, for the Exaltation of our Holy Mother the Church.

G eternal Father, be mindful of thy congregation which thou hast possessed from the beginning. Acknowledge the Church as the spouse of thine only begotten Son, for which he hesitated not to shed his blood. So exalt it, I beseech thee, with the beauty of holiness, the riches of grace, and the fulness of thine inheritance; that it may shime forth worthy of its divine Spouse, and of the great price of its redemption. Look mercifully upon all the sons of this holy Mother, and gather all nations into their number; that all may acknowledge, with living faith, thee the Father, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God; may call upon thee with steadfast hope, and embrace thee with perfect charity. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Marv.

V. Behold, O Lord, and visit this vine.

R. And perfect that which thy right hand hath

' planted.

Look down, we beseech thee, O Lord, upon this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ hesitated not to be delivered into the hands of sinners, and to undergo the torment of the cross; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God world without and. Amen.

SECOND PRAYER.

To God the Son, for the Extirpation of Heresies.

O Jesus, the true light that lightenest every one that cometh into the world, grant, I beseech thee, by the inestimable virtue of thy passion and death, that, the darkness of heresies and errors being driven away, all may embrace the light of thy truth, and be brought into the bosom of thy Church. O thou, good Shepherd, who didst lay down thy life for thy sheep, protect thy slock, and defend it from the violence and cunning of those who come in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravening wolves. Grant that all may acknowledge one shepherd, and be of one fold. Abide with us, O Lord, as thou hast said, Behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world. Make manifest that thy Church is founded on a rock, and that the gates of hell cannot prevail against it. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary.

V. Deliver not up to beasts of prey the souls that put their trust in thee.

R. And forget not, O Lord, for ever the souls of thy

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Hear the prayers of thy Church, O Lord, we beseech thee, and turn away thing anger from us; that all adversities and errors being done away, we may serve thee in freedom and security; through our Lord, &c.

THIRD PRAYER.

To the Holy Ghost, for Concord among Christian Princes.

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of love and peace, who hast suthered tegether so many and various nations in the unity of the faith, vouchsafe to grant to all Christian princes, and to their hearts with the new commandment of thy love; that all men may know by this that they are to be counted among the number of thine elect, and are worthy of the name of Christ. Grant that they

may not be led away through covetousness to do any thing contrary to thy divine glory, and the peace of thy Church; but rather may strive, with united efforts, to bring the people committed unto them, together with themselves, to the vision of eternal peace, and to the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen.

Our Pather Hail Mary.

V. Let peace be in thy strength. R. And plenteousness in thy towers.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all right counsels, and all just works do come, give to thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts being given up to obey thy commandments, and the fear of our enemies being taken away, the times, by thy protection, may be peaceful, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth, &c.

FOURTH PRAYER.

To the most Holy Trinity; offering up the Works prescribed for obtaining the Indulgence.

O most holy Trinity, I trust I have now performed whatever hath been prescribed for obtaining a plenary indulgence for the punishment due to my sins. I confess that anywise I ought to have done all this, and much more, for thy divine Majesty, being bound thereto under a thousand titles. It is of thine infinite goodness and bountiful liberality alone that thou art pleased so abundantly to remunerate the worthless works of our bounden duty. Receive, therefore, O most holy Trinity, these works that I have done, in whatever way I may have done them, and grant that all their defects may be supplied by the merits of the passion and death of Jesus Christ our Lord, and by his most precious blood which was shed for us; and thus make me (or the soul of -) partaker of this plenary indulgence. for which mercy, O Lord, may all heaven and earth unite with me in giving praise and thanksgiving unto thee now and for ever. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. of The Te Decay. Asimily to the second

A Prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church upon Earth.*

O eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Creator of all things, visible and invisible, Source of all our good; infinitely good in thyself, and infinitely gracious, bountiful, and good to us; behold we, thy poor servants, the work of thy hands, redeemed by the blood of thine only Son, come [in answer to his summons by his Vicegerent], to present ourselves, as humble petitioners, before the throne of thy mercy. We come in communion with all thy Church in heaven, hoping to be assisted by their prayers and merits; and with Jesus Christ at our head, our High Priest and Mediator, in whose precious blood we put all our trust.

We prostrate ourselves here before thee, and most humbly beseech thee to sanctify thy own most holy name, by sanctifying and exalting thy holy Catholic Church throughout the whole world. O eternal King, who has sent down thine only Son from thy throne above into this earth of ours, to establish a kingdom here amongst us, from whence we might hereafter be translated to thy eternal kingdom; look down, we beseech thee, upon this kingdom of thy Son, and propagate it through all nations, and through all hearts. Sanctify it in all truth; maintain it in peace, unity, and holiness. Give to it saints for its rulers, its chief pastor, and all its other prelates; enlighten them with all heavenly wisdom; make them all men according to thy own heart.

Give thy grace and blessing to all the clergy; and send amongst them that heavenly fire which thy Son came to cast on the earth, and which he so earnestly desired should be enkindled. Assist and protect all

[•] This proyer was first published on accesson of the Jubiles in 1851; and may be proper for any other time of indulgence. It may be said on the day of communion, as it is directed for the usual injentions for which the faithful ought to offer up their prayers in coder to gain indulgence.

apostolic missionaries, that they may zealously and effectually promote thy glory, and the salvation of souls redeemed by the blood of thy Son. Sanctify all religious men and women of all orders; give them the grace to serve thee with all perfection, according to the spirit of their institute, and to shine like lights to the rest of the faithful.

Have mercy on all Christian princes; grant them those lights and graces that are necessary for the perfect discharge of their duty to thee and to their subjects; that they may be true servants to thee, the King of kings, true fathers to their people, and nursing fathers to thy Church. Have mercy on all magistrates and men in power; that they may all fear thee, love thee, and serve thee; and ever remember that they are thy deputies, and ministers of thy justice.

Have mercy on all thy people throughout the world; and give thy blessing to thine inheritance; remember thy congregation, which thou hast possessed from the beginning; and give such grace to all thy children here upon earth, that they may do thy holy will in all things, even as the blessed do in heaven.

Extend thy mercy also to all poor infidels, who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to all those nations that know not thee, and that have not yet received the faith and law of thy Son; to all Pagans, Mahometans, and Jews. Remember, O Lord, that all these poor souls are made after thine own image and likeness, and redeemed by the blood of thy Son. Oh, let not Satan any longer exercise his tyranny over these thy creatures, to the great dishonour of thy name. Let not the precious blood of thy Son be shed for them in vain. Send among them zealous preachers and apostolic labourers, endued with the like graces and gifts as thine Apostles were, and bless them with the like success, for the glory of thy name; that all these poor souls may be brought to know thee, love thee, and serve thee here in thy Church, and bless thee hereafter for all eternity.

Look down also with an eye of pity and compassion on all those deluded souls, who, under the name of Christians, have gone away from the paths of truth and unity, and from the ene fold of the one Shepherd, Jesus Christ, into the by-paths of error and schism. Oh, bring them back to thee and to thy Church. Dispel their darkness by thy heavenly light; take off the veil from before their eyes, with which the common enemy hath blindfolded them. Remove the prejudices of their education; take away from them the spirit of obstinacy, pride, and self-conceit. Give them a humble and docile heart. Give them a strong desire of finding out thy truth, and a strong grace to enable them to embrace it, in spite of all the opposition of the world, the flesh, and the devil. For why should these poor souls perish, for which Christ died? Why should Satan any longer possess these souls, which, by their baptism, were dedicated to thee, to be thine eternal temple?

O Father of lights, and God of all truth, purge the whole world from all errors, abuses, corruptions, and vices. Beat down the standard of Satan, and set up every where the standard of Christ. Abolish the reign of sin, and establish the kingdom of grace in all hearts. Let humility triumph over pride and ambition; charity over hatred, envy, and malice; purity and temperance over lust and excess; meekness over passion; and disinterestedness and poverty of spirit over covetousness and the love of this perishable world. Let the gospel of Christ, both in its belief and practice, prevail throughout the world.

Grant us thy peace, O Lord, in the days of our mortality, even that peace which thy Son bequeathed as a legacy to his disciples; a perpetual peace with thee, a perpetual peace with one another, and a perpetual peace within themselves. Grant that all Christian princes and states may love, cherish, and maintain an inviolable peace among themselves. Give them a right sense of the dreadful evils that attend on wars. Give them an everlasting horror of the bloodshed, the devastation, and

ruin of so many territories, the innumerable sacrileges, and the eternal loss of so many thousand souls, which are the dismel consequences of war. Turn their hearts to another kind of warfare, and teach them to fight for a heavenly kingdom.

Remove, O Lord, thy wrath, which we have reason to apprehend actually hanging over our heads for our sine. Deliver all Christian people from the dreadful evil of mortal sin; make all sinners sensible of their misery; give them the grace of a sincere conversion to thee, and a truly penitential spirit, and discharge them from all their bonds. Preserve all Christendom, and, in particular, this nation, from all the evils that threaten impenitent sinners, such as plagues, famines, earthquakes, fires. inundations, mortality of cattle, sudden and unprovided. death, and thy many other judgments here, and eternal damnation hereafter. Comfort all that are under any affliction, sickness, or violence of pain; support all that are under temptation; reconcile all that are at variance; deliver all that are in slavery or captivity; defend all that are in danger; grant a relief to all in their respective necessities; give a happy passage to all that are in-their agony. Grant thy blessing to our friends and henefactors, and to all those for whom we are particularly: bound to pray; and have mercy on all our enemies. Give eternal rest to all the faithful departed; and bring us all to evenlesting life, through Jesus Christ thy Son. Amen.



The Yoly Eucharist.

INSTRUCTIONS AND DEVOTIONS FOR COMMUNION.

LET a man prove (or try) himself, says St. Paul (1 Cor. xi. 28), and so eat of that bread, and drink of that chalice. This proving or trying one's self is the first and most necessary preparation for the holy communion; and consists in looking diligently into the state of one's soul, in order to discover what indispositions or sins may lie there concealed, and to apply a proper remedy to them, by sincere repentance and confession; lest otherwise, approaching the Holy of Holies with a soul defiled with the guilt of mortal sin, we become "guilty of the body and blood of Christ, and receive judgment to ourselves, not discerning the Lord's body" (1 Cor. xi.). For this reason we go to confession before communion, in order to clear our souls from the filth of sin.

The person that is to receive the blessed sacrament must be also fasting, at least from midnight; by the command of the Church, and by a most ancient and apostolical tradition, ordaining, that in reference to so great a sacrament, nothing should enter into the body of a Christian before the body of Christ. The case of danger of approaching death is excepted, when the blessed sacrament

is received by way of viaticum.

Besides this preparation of confession and fasting, the person that proposes to go to communion must endeavour to attain the best devotion he is able, in order to dispose his soul for worthily receiving so great a guest. To this end is subjoined the following

Practical Instruction for making a good Communion

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is the greatest of all sacraments, and was instituted by our dear Abridon the evening of his Passion and death. It is the town body

and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine; so that whoever receives it, feeds upon Jesus Christ himself, and is nourished by his most holy flesh and divine blood. Of this our dear Redeemer himself assures us when he says, He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood, liveth in me, and I live in him. Oh, how wonderful that God should love us to such a degree as to conceal himself under the sagramental species in the Holy Eucharist in order to become our food! And, oh, what a mystery of ingratitude it is, that Christians should treat our loving God with coldness and indifference in this very sagrament, by which he proved to us how efficaciously and excessively he loves us.

Our dear Savieur has no need whatever of un; and yet he counts it as nothing to remain for our sakes shut up within the talernacle even to the end of the world, so ardently does he love us, so much does he delight to dwell with the children of men. We, on the contrary, have every need of Jesus; we cannot even remain faithful to him without his help; and yet we think so little of his love in remaining with us. Ah, how little indeed do we love him! how little account do we make of him! how little do we care to units ourselves to him, and receive him in his sacrament of love! while he is ever ardently

longing to enter into our hearts.

Many persons go but very seldom to communion, some through a culpable negligence, others because they will not give up sinning, and others through a certain weakness of spirit. Now, not to go to communion because of imperfections is like refusing physician and medicine because we are ill. Not to go because you are not a saint is to confuse the effect of the blessed sacrament with the preparation for it, and so to hinder the possibility of arriving at real sanctity. Not to communicate because you are living in sin is to wish to go on loving sin, and to refuse to come out of this state of perdition. No; if a man has religion enough to make him wish not to make a had communion let him also have courage and resolution to remove that which prevents him from approaching the holy table. But this is the very thing which Inighture the lukewarm, They must prepare themselves; and this preparation teases and torments them, because they know the manust give up certain pleasures, keep aloof from occasions of sin, break off had habits, mortify their senses, renounce sin altogether; and to do this is hard; nevertheless, as long as they keep away from this sacrament of life and grace, they are going headlong into everlasting death. It is right indeed you should have the most lively faith and most profound reverence for the blessed sacrament; but instead of making up your mind to keep away from communion, you must resolve to reform your life, to renounce and abandon sin and evil habits, and so make yourself less unworthy to receive the bread of angels. All the saints have ever looked upon the blessed sacrament as the richest treasure of grace, and have derived all their strength and fervour and sanctity from it. Ah, if you also wish to prove, to the great benefit of your soul, the immense blessings of this sweet sacrament, if you wish for strength to overcome the enemies of your salvation, if you desire an abundance of grace to keep you from falking into sin, if you long for fervour and courage to enable you to walk in the path of God's commandment, go often to communion. Look at each communion as the most precious moment of your life, and have a most ardent longing for this divine food. But at the same time remember, that he who eats of it unworthily, eats his own condemnation.

Therefore remember, that besides the natural fast, which you must observe with the greatest care from the midnight preceding your communion, it is absolutely necessary for you to be in a state of grace; that is, you must have your conscience free from mortal sin; and therefore, if you are in mortal sin, you must make a good confession, otherwise you will commit a sacrilege. If you are conscious only of venial sins, you are not obliged to confess these, though it is much better to do so, if you can get to confession; for it is a defect not to endeavour to clear yourself of every venial sin, as far as you can, on account of the reverence due to the most holy sacrament, and also you will reap greater fruit from your communion: but if you are not able to get to confession, at any rate make an act of contrition, and sak our dear Lord to cleanse your soul by his precious blood.

But in order to dispose you to perform so holy an action well, and with abundant fruit, you should endeavour to

make a fervent preparation for communion. You should think whom it is you are about to receive, and excite yourself to devout affections of adoration, hope, love, desire, humility, repentance. If possible, do not confine your preparation to the few moments which precede your communion, but endeavour to think of it the day before, and at night before you retire to rest; and when you wake during the night, try to think: I am going to communion; I am going to receive Jesus my Redeemer, my Father, my God.

Remember that Jesus Christ, in instituting the blessed sacrament, and leaving this precious pledge of his infinite love, desired that as often as the divine mysteries should be celebrated, and his most holy body received therein, a particular remembrance should be had of him and of all he has done and suffered for us. When, therefore, you desire to receive Jesus in the blessed sacrament, you should call to mind the passion, cross, and death of our dear Redeemer; and remember his precious blood, which flowed from his veins at the cost of so much suffering, and which with such love he gives us to drink in the sweet sacrament of the altar.

St. Charles, St. Philip, St. Francis of Sales, and other saints, recommend us to go to communion once a week, If your confessor allows it, therefore, make this your rule, and try to persevere in it, for it will be of immense

advantage to your soul.

It is sometimes a good plan to choose some particular object for which you will make a certain number of communions, renewing your intention each time. I here give you some such intentions, which may be of use to you, and induce you to make a certain number of communions for each one, during the several weeks of the year.

Intentions for Communions.

1. The love of God: in order that, by means of the blessed sacrament, our soul may be more and more united to God by perfect love.

2. Devotion to the most holy Passion of Jesus: to obtain from our dear Lord, in the blessed sacrament, a deep impression in our soul of his bitter sufferings, and a continual and devout remembrance of them.

8. Devotion to our dear Lady: to obtain from Jesus,

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who on the cross gave her to us for our Mother, a most tender childlike love and confidence towards her.

4. Adoration of the Majesty of God: desiring and intending to adore, acknowledge, and love it in Jesus and by Jesus in the blessed sacrament, from whom God receives infinite glory and honour.

5. The desire of thanking Almighty God for all the benefits we have received from him: not being able to offer to the Eternal Father any thing more acceptable

and precious than Jesus in the blessed sacrament.

6. Satisfaction for our sins: offering Jesus, the Victim sacrificed for our salvation, and his most precious blood, in payment and expiation for all our offences against the Majesty of God.

7. The desire of obtaining some particular grace from God, through the merits of Jesus Christ in the blessed

sacrament, either for ourselves or our neighbour.

 The cure of our spiritual infirmities, that the Divine Physician may heal and cure our soul, and strengthen us that we may not relapse.

9. Victory over temptations, that, by the virtue of Jesus, who by his death has triumphed over the devil, we may be defended from his assaults, and preserved from his anares, and, by the power of the blessed sacrament, be strengthened to fight valiantly against him.

10. Perseverance in the grace of God: earnestly begging, through the merits and love of Jesus Christ, the grace never to commit a mortal sin and offend the infi-

nite goodness of God.

11. The desire to praise God in his saints and to honour them: offering our communion to the most holy Trinity in thanksgiving for all the graces vouchsafed them on earth, and their eternal glory in heaven; this may be done especially on their feast-days.

12. On our dear Lady's festivals to communicate in honour of her, the Queen of all Saints: thanking Almighty God for having made her his Mother, and having enriched her with such innumerable and wonderful privi-

leges.

13. Zeal for the salvation of poor sinners: since nothing can intercede more efficaciously with the Eternal Father for their return and conversion than the precious blood his most holy Son shed for them.

14. Compassion for the miseries of our neighbour: to obtain for all who are in want, affliction, or tribulation, patience, comfort, and consolation from Jesus Christ, the loving Father of all men.

15. Devotion to Jesus in the blessed sacrament; that our dear Lord, who has instituted this sacrament of love in order to remain always with us, may kindle in our hearts, and in the hearts of all men, a true love and devotion to him, and an ardent desire to receive him fre-

quently.

16. The desire of gaining the Spirit of Jesus, and being transformed entirely into his likeness: this should be the principal end of each communion; that is, you should desire, by means of the blessed sacrament, to clothe yourself with Jesus Christ,—with his life, his virtues, his spirit,—in order to be wholly his.

As soon as you have made your intentions for communion, place yourself with great recollection in the presence of God; and if you find you want help, read over the following acts of preparation. But take care not to read them in a hurry, but rather with your heart than your eyes,—slowly and devoutly. If at any moment you find yourself drawn to compunction or recollection, then pause for a little time. It is not necessary to read a great many prayers in order to make a good preparation, but it is absolutely necessary to have true sorrow for our sins, and to love our dear Lord very much. If you use the following acts in this spirit, you will be sure to receive great fruit from your communion.

Hymns on Communion see p. 264.

DEVOTIONS BEFORE, AT THE TIME OF, AND AFTER, COMMUNION;

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DEVOTIONS BEFORE COMMUNION

An Act of Raith.

My Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, I firmly believe that in this blessed sacrament thou art present verily and indeed; I believe that here are thy body and blood, thy soul and divinity. I acknowledge these truths; I believe these wonders; I adore thy power, which hath wrought them; I praise thy infinite goodness, which hath prepared them for me; with David, "I will praise thee, my God, with my whole heart, and will recount all thy admirable works: I will rejoice in thee, and bless thy holy name." In this faith, and with this acknowledgment, I approach this adorable banquet, wherein thou bestowest on me the divine food of thy body and blood. Grant, O blessed Jesus, that I may approach thee with such a profound sense of reverence and humility as is due to thy infinite Majesty. Grant, O Lord, that I may now receive thee with a pure heart, a clean conscience, and a sincere and lively faith. Pardon my sins, which have rendered me most unworthy to approach thee: I hate them, because they are displeasing to thee, my God; I renounce them for ever, and promise to be faithful to thee. Take courage, my soul, raise thy-self up; go and receive thy Gud, and with him all the favours he hath prepared for thee in this most diving trament.

An Act of Hope.

In thee, O Jesus, do I place all my hope, because thou alone art my salvation, my strength, my refuge, and the foundation of all my happiness; and were it not for the confidence I place in thy merits, and in the precious blood wherewith thou didst redeem me, I would not presume to partake of this banquet. Encouraged by thy goodness, I come to thee as a poor and infirm sheep to its shepherd; as a sick man to his physician; as a condemned criminal to his powerful intercessor: that, as the true shepherd of my soul, thou mayest strengthen me; heal me, as my physician; and, as my merciful advocate, deliver me from the sentence of sin and death. I, who am an abyss of nothing, invoke thee, who art the abyss of all goodness; for though my sins are innumerable, and very grievous, yet they are but light and trivial when compared to thy boundless mercy, and the infinite ransom of thy blood. Have pity, therefore, on me, O Jesus, and save me, for thou forsakest none that put their trust in thee.

An Act of Charity.

How strong was the force of thy love, my dear Re-deemer, when, being about to depart out of this world to thy eternal Father, thou providedst for us this divine banquet, enriched with all heavenly sweetness. It was through the wonderful effects of thy divine goodness that thou didst humble thyself to such an excess for our redemption, as to take upon thee the infirmity of our nature. And is it not through an infinite excess of thy love, that thou hast left us thy body and blood for the food and nourishment of our souls; that, as thou didst unite thyself to our humanity, so we might here be made partakers of thy divinity? In return for this thy infinite love, I desire to love thee, O Lord Jesus, who art my only comfort in this place of banishment, the only hope of my infirm soul, and my happiness, above all else that I can enjoy. Make me to love thee, my God, with my whole heart, with my whole soul, with all my mind, and

with all my strength; that as every moment is an increase of my life, so it may be also of my love towards thee. I desire, with all the affections and powers of my soul, that as the utmost thanks are due, so they may be returned to thee, by all the faithful, for this divine food, which is our refreshment, support, strength, armour, and defence in all our dangers and distresses; and that my love may never cease, inflame my heart with the fire of heaven, that it may continue burning, till nature and corruption being weakened and consumed, I may be wholly transformed into thee. Come, O Lord, hasten to release me from the bonds of sin, and prepare me for the blessings thou art now about to bestow on me.

An Act of Desire.

As the wearied hart thirsts after the fountains of water, to doth my soul pant after thee, my Saviour, my Lord, and my God. It ardently longs to drink of those fountains which thy love hath opened for its comfort and relief. Tired with my own evil ways, I return hungry and thirsty, crying out aloud, Have mercy on me, O Son of God, and permit me to taste of thy banquet, that my soul may be refreshed. Oh, that my soul did truly hunger after thee, the bread of angels, the food of blessed souls, and that all that is within me might be delighted with the taste of thy sweetness! I here despise all human consolations, that I may be comforted by thee, my only good, my God and Saviour, whom I love above all things, and desire to entertain within my breast, with as much devotion and affection as is conceived by thy chosen servants, who now sit at thy table of celestial bliss. And however I may have been hitherto wanting in my duty, or unjust to thee, in misplacing my affections, I desire for ever to renounce my folly and weakness, and from my heart request that, for the future, my joy, my relief, my treasure, and rest, may be entirely centred in thee. May I never desire any thing besides thee; and may all things seem contemptible and as nothing without thee, O my God.

An Act of Thanksgiving.

Who am I, O God of infinite goodness, that thou shouldst permit me to partake of this bread of angels? How have I found such favour in thy sight, as to be the object of so unspeakable a mercy? Come, all ye angels and saints of God, and I will recount to you what great things our Lord hath done for my soul. He hath raised me out of the dust, and delivered me from the bonds of sin; he hath told me not to be dejected, for that he himself will be my support and my strength; and though I have most unworthily forsaken him by my repeated follies, yet behold he calls me once more, and invites me to partake of the bread of life, that, as he made me, so I may ever live by him. What thanks can I give thee, O merciful Jesus, Saviour of the world? What return shall I make thee for all thou hast done for my soul? Were I to give all I have in acknowledgment of thy love, it would still be as nothing; for thou, Lord, hast plentifully poured forth thyself upon me, and given me even all that thou art; and if, in thanksgiving for thy mercies, I were to lay before thee my body and soul, my life, liberty, and all I possess, what would they be, when compared to the blessings thou hast here bestowed on me; what to the debt I owe, which is in some kind equal to what I receive, infinite as thyself? Thou hast mercifully given thyself to me, for the food of my soul; and now behold I offer thee all that I have, all that I am, all that I possess; to thee I make a full surrender of them all, that, being wholly thine, I may now no longer have any part in myself.

An Act of Humility.

In fervour of spirit and humility of heart I approach thy holy altar, O my God, to implore thy mercy and assistance. I adore thee, divine Jesus, really present in this sacred host; I acknowledge my unworthiness to receive thee; yet encouraged by thy goodness, I venture to follow the impulse of my heart, which powerfully at-

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tracts me to thee. "O Lord of Hosts, how lovely are thy tabernacles! my soul longeth and fainteth" for thy possession; for "blessed is the man that trusteth in thee." Thou art the God of all glory; and what am I, and what should I have been, hadst thou not raised me from the grave of sin? Alas! without thee, my soul is a barren land, fertile only in the production of weeds and brambles; but with patient love thou hast come to my assistance, saying, "Fear not, O land, be glad and rejoice, for I, the Lord, have done great things" for thee. Ah, merciful Lord! what hast thou left undone to secure my happiness? And now, forgetful of all my past ingratitude, thou invitest me to thy sacred banquet. I come, then, with confidence, because "thou art my God, and hast heard me, and art become my salvation." Oh, "what shall I render unto thee, O Lord, for all thou hast rendered unto me? I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon thy name. I will pay my vows to thee before all thy people; for I am thy servant." I have strayed far from thee, my God, and thou hast displayed the wonders of thy mercy, by recalling me from my wanderings. Oh, perfect thy work of love, by preserving me from ever again forsaking the path of thy commandments; "teach me to do thy will," and strengthen me to fulfil it perfectly.

Humbled, O Lord, at the view of my many miseries, and convinced of my weakness; yet animated with a sincere desire to employ the remainder of my years in repairing my past ingratitude; I fervently implore thy powerful assistance, for, "strengthened by thee, I can do all things;" with humble confidence I approach thy altar, "for with thee is the fountain of life, and in thy light I shall see light." Come, then, O blessed Jesus, to take possession of my heart, in thy adorable sacrament. Come, and give efficacy to my resolution, of living henceforth but for thee, and of devoting all my faculties to the promotion of thy glory. Establish thy dwelling in my soul, that, fertilised by the dew of thy grace, it may produce a rich harvest of holiness and virtue. May thy love be the end of my existence, and the only motive of all my actions; may it be my guide

amidst the dangers of that world wherein thy will hath east my lot; may it be my light in perplexities, and my counsel is doubts; may it forcibly detach my affections from the things of this world. Or adorable Jesus, can there be any real comfort but in thy service; any unable death applies but in the possession of thee? May I henceforth prove my conviction of this truth by constant fervour and undeviating fidelity! Amen:

A Prayer before Receiving.

I approach thy banquet, O Jesus, having nothing to confide in but thy goodness and mercy, being of myself a sinner, destitute of all virtue. I hasten to thee, most compassionate Physician, the fountain of all goodness. that I may be healed. I fly under the wings of thy merciful protection, hoping thou wilt be my Saviour, though I dare not appear before thee as my Judge. To thee I expose all my wounds, to thee I discover all my shame. My sins, I confess, are so many and great as to make me despair, if thou didst not encourage me to hope in thy mercies, which are infinite. Look, therefore, on me with the eyes of compassion, O'Lord Jesus Christ, eternal King, God and Man, who wast crucified for the sins of men. Have mercy on me, thou inexhaustible fountain of goodness. Hall, saving Victim, offered on the cross for me and all mankind! Hail, generous and precious blood, flowing from thy wounds, O Jesus, and washing away the sins of the world! Remember thy creature, O Lord, whom thou hast redeemed by thy death. I am truly sorry for my offences, of which I am resolved to amend. Wash away, therefore, all my sins. and blot out my iniquities, that, purified in soul and body, I may worthily approach the Holy of Holies; and grant that thy precious tody and Flood, which I now, though unworthy, am about to receive, may avail to a full discharge from the guilt of all my crimes, a victory over my evil thoughts, the beginning of a new life, the seed of good works, and a sure protection of soul and body against all the snares of my enemies.

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PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION.

An Act of Thanksgiving.

I return thee thanks, O eternal Eather, for having, out of thy pure mercy, without any desert of mine, been pleased to feed my soul with the body and blood of thine only Son; and beseech thee, that this holy communion may not be to my condemnation, but available to the effectual remission of all my sins. May it strengthen my faith; encourage me in the practice of good works; deliver me from all evil habits and sinful desires; perfect me in charity, pedience, humility, obedience, and all other virtues. May, it secure me against all the snares of my enemies, visible and invisible; closely unite me to thee, the only true God, and finally settle me in unchangeable bliss, by admitting me, though an unworthy sinner, to be a guest at that divine banquet, where thou, with the Son and the Holy Ghost, art the true light, eternal fulness, everlasting joy, and perfect happiness of all the saints; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O tender and compassionate Lord Jesus, my God and my Saviour, thou are really present in my heart. Humbled before thee, I adore thee with all the powers of my soul, and love thee with all the affections of my heart. When I consider the splendours of thy awful Majesty, I scarcely dare to lift my eyes to thee; but yet thy goodness encourages me to speak to thee of my wants, and open my heart in all confidence before thee. How can I become weary of repeating that I love thee, or more nobly employ the faculties with which thou hast gifted me, than in preclaiming, thy praises, and proving, my boundless gratitude for thy mercies? My highest ambition is to attain the perfection of thy love; and for this I carnestly pray to thee, reminding thee of thy own promise, that "whatsoever we ask in prayer, believing, we shall receive." Grant me the spirit of perfect obedience to thy commands, and constant fidelity to thy impirations; as

well as a lively horror, not only of grievous sin, but of every deliberate fault, however small. Assisted by thy grace, O divine Jesus, I desire to offer thee the homage of a heart submissive to thy will; of sincere piety, founded on charity towards thee and my neighbour; of purity of intention in all my actions, and constant recollection of thy divine presence. Thus may I hope to bring forth Auits worthy of eternal life, for thou hast declared that H' is only or those who do thy will who shall enter the kingdom of heaven." Shall not so glorious a promise affimate my zeat? Happy those who obtain admittance to that abode of peace and glory, where our of God shall wipe away all tears, and death shall be no more: nor mourning, nor crying, nor sorrow, shall be any more." Even in this life, thou givest a thint idea of the happiness thou hast prepared for those who love thee, filling our souls with a peace which the world cannot give or take away: What felicity awaits us, when we shall see thee face to face, and through a long eternity share thy glory ! From my heart, P now exclaim, with those who are prostrate before thy eternal throne, "I give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty; who art, and who wast, and who art to come; because thou hast taken to thee great power, and hast reigned." O divine Jesus, reign in my heart for ever; as my King and sovereign Mas-ter. Command my desires, subdue my passions, and render my will submissive to think. L'sincerely desire to prove my love for thee; and how can I do so more offentually, then by embracing the will or all occasions? The thought of the happy eternity which waite me shall attimate my hope and the remembrance of ather eternal love shall impel me to embrace without hesits tion whatever thou shalf command. My study shall be to know thy will, my consolution to adore it, and my joy to fulfil it perfectly. On my God, woughtents ever to guide me by thy holy Spirit, for " if thy wisdom be suc with mey I shall be nothing." Thou has fed his with thy secred budy and blood, that unfield to thee, I than leve thee mone terrendy ever fellow that which is good towards all men, which allies so thee, who "are the my, the walk, and dievlifelit My Ring, my God; and

my Saviour, may I be faithful to thy graces, may I conrespond with thy mercy, may my actions be ever animated by that spirit of faith and love, which will render them acceptable in thy sight, and ensure me a share in the happiness promised to those who faithfully persevere to the end in thy love and service. Amen.

An Act of Adoration.

I praise and glorify thy blessed name, O my God, for the many favours thou liast now bestowed on me, and for all the blessings wherewith thou hast enriched my soul, after the many miseries and wants I have suffered, when, by my pleasures and passions, I had departed from thee. In thy great goodness, then didst withdraw me from the precipice whither I was running; enlightening ms with thy beams, and, by the inspirations of thy grace, inviting me to return. Then hast pardoned all my sixs; and, to crown all these favours, thou hast now come to visit me, that thou mightest abile in me, and I in thee. Bless the Bord, O my soul, and let all that is within me bless his holy name. Bless the Eord, O'my soul, and forget not all his benefits. He hath forgiven ther all thy iniquities, and healed all thy infirmities. He hath redeemed they life from destruction; and crowned thee with mercy and compassion. He liath satisfied thy hanger with good things, and replenished thee with all thou, couldn't desire. And baghtest thou not to resolve upon a change of life, and, renewing thy strength, grow young like the eagle in his service?" Let thy grace, O Lord, be ever at hand to assist me; for the expenence of my weakness makes me fearful; and if thou support me not, I shall certainly fall again. Be thou, therefore, my shield and defence. Grant me a firm and constant faith; and strengthen it not only with respect: to this mystery, but all other Christian truths and principles of eternal life; that, by the help thereof, I may overcome all such difficulties as I may have to excunter in my judicity to that state of bliss for which I was eventual and that I may follow the faith of those wher for my example, have gone before me, have triumphed over their enemies, done justice, and obtained the promises.

Of Hope.

Ladore thy infinite greatness, O divine Majesty, who fillest both heaven and earth, and art adored by all the blessed spirits, angels, and saints, who, without ceasing, praise and cry out before thee, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth." Is it possible thou shouldst condescend to visit the most unworthy of all thy servants, and desire to dwell within him? If the heavens, nay, the heaven of heavens, cannot contain thee, how much less this habitation, which I have prepared for thy reception! Thou knowest, O Blessed Jesus, how to conceal the dazzling splendour of thy glory, and condescend to our weak capacity, that so thou mayest communicate thyself to us the more freely. This thou didst not only at the time of thy adorable incarnation, when thou madest thyself like to us the more forcibly to attract our love to thee; but also when thou didst institute this mystery. wherein thou gavest thyself to us for the food and nourishment of our souls, the more closely to unite us to thyself, and make us aspire to that celestial banquet thou hast prepared for the blessed in heaven. O God, grant me the grace so eagerly to long after this eternal banquet, that the desire of hereafter enjoying it may make me despise all the goods and pleasures of this life, and labour incessantly to prepare myself, till I am happily admitted amongst its guests. I now desire to wean my heart entirely from all irregular and contupt affections, that I may place my whole love and confidence in thee alone. For this end I am firmly resolved to watch over all my actions, to flee from sin, and avoid whatever may be displeasing to thee. I will labour to work out my salvation by observing thy precepts, and as I have resolved, so I hope to be faithful to thee; but this resolution I acknowledge myself unable to perform without the help of thy grace, which I most humbly implore. O Jesus, save me; conduct me through the ways of thy commandments, in which I now begin to walk. with courage and perseverance. Incline my heart to love thy divine truths; divert my eyes from behelding vain objects; refresh and strengthen me in the paths of holiness; and attract me so powerfully to thyself, that I may at last follow thee to heaven, where thou livest and reignest for all eternity.

An Oblation.

What pledge can I give, O my Saviour, as an earnest of the love which I have now engaged to thee? I have nothing worthy of thee, and if I had, I have nothing but what is thine; but such is thy goodness, that thou art content to accept from us what is already thine own Wherefore, behold, I here offer to thee my body and soul, which are both now sanctified by thy divine presence; I consecrate them to thee for ever, since thou hast chosen them for thy temple; my body to be continually employed in thy service, and never more to become an instrument of sin; my soul to know thee, to love thee, and be evermore faithful to thee. Bless, O Lord, the offering which I here make thee. "Bless, O Lord, the offering which I here make thee. "Bless, O Lord, this house." Permit not my body to be any more defiled with sensual delights, nor my soul by a will to dommit any mortal sin; for, as I am now resolved to serve thee with body and soul, I will labour to correct their evil inclinations. I will declare war against myself, renounce all my vain pleasures, my passion, my pride, my self-love, my own will, and whatever else may offend thee.

A Prayer for Perseverance.

Preserve, O Lord, for ever in my soul, the holy resolutions wherewith thou hast now inspired me, and grant me grace faithfully to put them in execution. Without thy aid I can do nothing; I therefore earnestly crave thy assistance, to conquer all the difficulties I may meet with in the way of my salvation. Regard me with the eyes of thy mercy; have compassion on my weakness; and strengthen me daily with thy grace.

O glorious Virgin, unite with me in giving thanks to

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thy beloved Son, who hath restored me to his grace, and refreshed-my soul with the beinquet of his most precious body. Offer him all the grateful service thou didst him this, life, to supply the defects of my devotion; and obtain of him that he depart not from me without leaving a large benediction behind him for my soul.

O all ye holy angels, ministering spirits of God, behold the only Son of the eternal Father, whom you adored at his entrance into the world. Intercede with him in my health, that I may henceforth serve him with the same spirit and truth wherewith you ministered to him whilst he remained on darth, and with the same cheerfulness wherewith you now obey him in his heavenly kingdom. O all ye men and women, saints of God, behold here withinmy breast your drong, the source and reward of all your sentity and grace, and let your prayers be joined with mine; that hy his grace I may follow your steps in the exact performance of every duty, till, abounding in good works, I may at length be admitted into your society, and possess my Jesus for all eternity.

To your Patron Saint.

O great Saint N, whose name has [or names have] been conferred upon me, and under whose patronage I have placed myself, obtain for me grace to fulfil the holy resolutions I have this day made. Help me, by thy powerful intercession, to lead a life conformable to the sacred character I have received, and to imitate the virtues for which thou wast so remarkable. Protect me through all the perils of life, and abandon me not at the awful hour of death. Amen.

The Conclusion.

Graciously hear all my prayers O good Lesus; hide me within thy wounds, and there protect, me from all my enemies. Oh, let nothing ever separate me from thes. Call me to thee at the hour of my death, that, with the saints, I may praise thee for ever. And now, Lord Jesus, I go from thee for a while, but I trust not without

thee, who are my comfort and the ultimate happiness of my soul. To thy love and protection I recommend myself, as well as my brethren, my relatives, my country my friends, and my enemies. Love us, O'Lord, change our hearts, and transform us into thyself. May I be wholly employed in thee and for thee; and may thy love be the end of all my thoughts, words, and actions, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

ASPIRATIONS FOR SUCH AS HAVE OFFORTUNITY BEFORE OR AFTER COMMUNICATING.

Enlighten the eyes of my soul, O Lord Jesus, with the reps of divine faith and wisdom, that I may ever look on thee as the way, the rule, and example of all my thoughts, words, and actions.

What am I, Lord; or what chaim can I have on thy bounty, that thou shouldst thus follow me with thy blessing? Thou hast created me for thyself; and thou alone shall be the rest and centre of my soul.

Good: Jesus, my hope and only happiness, I here return thee thanks for all thy sufferings; and beg that I may ever find a place of refuge in thy sacred wounds against the assaults of all my enemies; imprint the memory of them, I bessech thee, so deeply on my heart, that I may ever love thee; and in all my sufferings never forget what thou has suffered for me.

Oh, that I could ever remember thee, think of thee, and love thee only. Oh, that my senses were shut against wan and stinkil objects, and my mind freed from all finitions colloitude, that I might ever abde in thee. From henceforth I will with the utmost diligence seek thee, my only good; my desires shall be fixed on thee alone, and all my actions shall be directed to thy glory.

I resign myself into thy hands, O God, desiring that the holy will may be done in and by me, both now and for ever. Be then my instructor, director, and helper mall occasions that I may neither do; speak, thirth, nor

desire any thing but what is according to thy good will and pleasure.

Grant thy servant, O Lord, understanding, that he may learn the way of thy commandments. O Jesus, thou fountain of goodness, direct my steps in thy paths, and teach me to do thy will. Inspire me with courage to take up my cross and follow thee. Disengage my heart from all unprofitable cares and vain affections; and though I dwell among creatures, yet may I ever live in thee and for thee. Grant me true fervour of spirit, and enkindle in my breast the fire of divine love, that I may find no rest but in thee.

How sweet, G Lord, is thy spirit; how pleasant to my ear are the words of thy mouth! Oh, that I could ever be attentive to them, and fulfil thy law. May I die to the world and all its pleasures; and let the greatness of thy love make all that is earthly appear to me as nething. Protect me against my enemies, and in all danger come to my defence; make haste to help me, O God, and say to my soul. I am thy health and salvation.

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As it is in thee, O Jesus, that I live, so it is in thee I desire to die; and, both living and dying, I will ever profess that thou art good, and that thy mercy endureth for ever.

My God, how long dost thou permit me to wander from thee? When wilt thou consume in me all that is corrupt and contrary to thy will? Draw me after thee, I beseech thee, that I may walk cheerfully in the way of thy precepts. Make me according to thine own heart, and let my soul be now thy habitation for ever.

My soul without thee is dry, like earth without water; moisten it, I beseech thee, with the dew of heaven, and grant me thy blessing from the land of the living. Wound my heart with thy love, that it may relish no earthly objects, but entirely depend on thy will.

Into thy hands I surrender myself, O my good God, and, laying aside all private wishes, desire to depend on thee, not only as to the whole state of my body and soul.

but also as to all the accidents and events thou mayest please to appoint for me, asking nothing more but that thy name may be glorified for ever.

I accept all my sufferings and privations from thy hand, convinced that whatever I endure, whether in

soul or body, for love of thee, is for my good.

Let mothing be my comfort but thou, my Lord Jesus; nor any thing afflict me but my sins, and whatever is displeasing to thy divine Majesty.

O blessed Jesus, life eternal, by whom I live, and without whom I die, unite me to thyself; that in the embraces of thy holy love and divine will, I may rest for ever.

When shell I behold thee, sweet Lord? When shall I appear before thy face? When shall I see thee in the land of the living? Till then I sigh and bewail my banishment, desiring to be dissolved, and be with thee.

O Jesus, who, by becoming my food in this life, preparest me to feed on thee eternally in the next; who in this divine banquet givest us possession of thy grace here, and a secure pledge of my glory hereafter; have mercy on me, O Lord, and hear my prayer.

As I now adore thee here by faith, under these sacred

veils, so may I hereafter behold thee face to face, and

eternally rejoice in thy presence.

A Second and Shorter Method.

PREPARATORY PRAYER.

CONTAINING THE CHIEF ACTS OF DEVOTION PROPER BEFORE COMMUNION.

5 Direct your Intention.

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of everlasting glory! behold I desire to come to thee this day, and to receive thy body and blood in this heavenly sacrament, for thy honour

and glory, and the good of my soul. I desire to receive thee, because it is thy desire, and thou hast so ordained: blessed be thy name for ever. I desire to come to thee like Magdalen, that I may be delivered from all my evils, and embrace thee, my only good. I desire to come to thee that I may be happily united to thee, that I may henceforth abide in thee, and thou in me; and that nothing in life or death may ever separate me from thee.

§ Commemorate the Passion of Christ.

I desire, in these holy mysteries, to commemorate, as thou hast commanded, all thy sufferings; thy agony and bloody sweat; thy being betrayed and apprehended; all the reproaches and calumnies, all the scoffs and affronts, all the blows and buffets, thou hast endured for me; thy being scourged, crowned with thorns, and loaded with a heavy cross for my sins, and for those of the whole world; thy crucifixion and death, together with thy glorious resurrection, and triumphant ascension. I adore thee, and give thee thanks for all that thou hast done and suffered for us; and for giving us, in this blessed sacrament, this pledge of our redemption, this victim of our ransom, this body and blood which was offered for us.

§ Make an Act of Faith.

I most firmly believe, that in this holy sacrament thou art present verily and indeed; that here is thy body and blood, thy soul and thy divinity. I believe that thou, my Saviour, true God and true Man, art really here, with all thy treasures; that here thou communicatest thyself to us, makest us partakers of the fruit of thy passion, and givest us a pledge of eternal life. I believe there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive thee worthily, nor a greater misery than to receive thee unworthily. All this I most steadfastly believe, because it is what thou hast taught us by thy Church.

§ Make an Act of Contrition.

O Lord, I detest, with my whole heart, all the sine

by which I have ever offended thy divine Majesty, from the first moment that I was capable of sinning to this very hour. I desire to lay them all at thy feet, to be cancelled by thy precious blood. Hear me, O Lord, by that infinite love by which thou hast shed thy blood for me. Oh, let not that blood be shed in vain! I detest my sins, because they have offended thy infinite goodness. By thy grace I will never commit them any more: I am sorry for them, and will be sorry for them as long as I live; and according to the best of my power, will do penance for them. Forgive me, dear Lord, for thy mercy's sake; pardon me all that is past; and be thou my keeper, for the time to come, that I may never more offend thee.

§ Make an Act of Divine Love.

O Lord Jesus, the God of my heart and the life of my soul, as the hart pants after the fountains of water, so does my soul pant after thee, the fountain of life, and the ocean of all good. I am overjoyed at the hearing of these happy tidings, that I am to go into the house of our Lord; or rather, that our Lord is to come into my house, and take up his abode with me. O happy moments, when I shall be admitted to the embraces of the living God, for whom my poor soul languishes with love! Oh, come, dear Jesus, and take full possession of my heart for ever! I offer it to thee without reserve; I desire to consecrate it eternally to thee. I love thee with my whole soul above all things; at least, I desire so to love thee. It is nothing less than infinite love that brings thee to me; oh, teach me to make a suitable return of love!

§ Humbly beg God's Grace.

But, O my God, thou knowest my great poverty and misery, and that of myself I can do nothing: thou knowest how unworthy I am of this infinite favour, and thou alone canst make me worthy. Since thou art so good as to invite me thus to thyself, add this one bounty more to all the rest, to prepare me for thyself. Cleanse my

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soul from its stains; clothe it with the nuptial garment of charity; adorn it with all virtues, and make it a fit abode for thee. Drive sin and the devil far from this dwelling, which thou art here pleased to choose for thyself, and make me one according to thy own heart; that this heavenly visit, which thou designest for my salvation, may not, by my unworthiness, be perverted to my own damnation. Never let me be guilty of thy body and blood by an unworthy communion. For the sake of this same precious blood, which thou hast shed for me, deliver me from so great an evil! Rather let me die ten thousand deaths, than thus presume to crucify thee again.

§ Implore the Prayers of the Blessed Virgin and of the Saints.

O all ye blessed angels and saints of God, who see him face to face whom I here receive under these humble veils; and thou most especially ever-blessed virgin, Mother of this same God and Saviour, in whose sacred womb he was conceived and borne for nine months; I most humbly beg the assistance of your prayers and intercession, that I may in such manner receive him here, in this place of banishment, as to be brought one day to enjoy him with you in our true country, and there to praise him and love him for ever.

ASBIRATIONS AFTER COMMUNION.

Behold, O Lord, I have thee now, who hast all things. I possess thee, who possessest all things, and who canst do all things: take off my heart, then, O my God and my All, from all other things but thee, for in them there is nothing but vanity and affliction of spirit. Let my heart be fixed on thee alone; let me ever repose in thee, for in thee is my treasure, in thee is the sovereign truth, true happiness, and a blessed eternity.

Let my soul, O Lord, feel the sweetness of thy presence. Let me taste how sweet thou art, O Lord! that

being allured by thy love, I may never more run after worldly pleasures; for thou art the joy of my heart, and

my portion for ever.

Thou art the Physician of my soul, who healest all our infirmities by thy sacred blood. I am that sick man, whom thou camest from heaven to heal: oh, heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Thou art the good Shepherd, who hast laid down thy life for thy sheep; behold, I am that sheep that was lost, and yet thou vouchsafest to feed me with thy body and blood: take me now upon thy shoulders to carry me home. What canst thou deny me, who hast given me thyself? Guide thou me, and I shall want nothing in the place of pasture where thou hast put me, until thou bringest me to the hanny mastures of eternal life.

bringest me to the happy pastures of eternal life.

O true Light, which enlightenest every man that cometh into this world, enlighten my eyes, that I may never

sleep in death.

O Fire, ever burning and never failing, behold how tepid and cold I am! Inflame my reins and my heart, that they may be on fire with the love of thee; for thou eamest to cast fire upon earth; and what dost thou desire but that it be enkindled?

O King of heaven and earth, rich in mercy, behold I am poor and needy: thou knowest what I stand most in need of; thou alone canst assist and enrich me. Help me, O God, and out of the treasures of thy bounty succour my needy soul.

O my Lord and my God, behold I am thy servant: give me understanding, and excite my affection, that

I may know and do thy will.

Thou art the Lamb of God, the Lamb without spot, who takest away the sins of the world: oh, take away from me what may hurt me, and displease thee, and give me what thou knowest to be pleasing to thee, and profitable to me.

Thou art my love and my joy; thou art my God, my portion, and my All; thou art he that will restore my

inheritance to me.

O my God and my All, may the sweet flame of thy love consume my soul, that so I may die to the world

for the love of thee, who thast voughsafed to die upon the cross for the love of me!

ACTS OF DEVOTION, PRAISE, AND THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION.

O Lord Jesus Christ, my Creator and my Redeemer, my God and my All, whence is this: to mie, that my Lord, and so great a Lord, whom heaven and earth/cannot contain, should come into this poor alwelling, whis house of clay of my earthly dishitation! Oh, that I could entertain thee as I ought! Thy loving kindness invites me to thy embraces; and I would willingly say, with the spouse in the Canticles, "I have found him whom my sould event; I have held him, and will hever let him go." But the tawe of so great a misjesty checks me, and the sense of my great unworthiness and diminimentals sins keeps me back. Would that I would semb with my tears.

Bow down thyself, with all thy powers, 10 my soul, to adore the sovereign Majesty which thatk notalisated to come to visit thest; pay like the best knowage that artable, as to thy first beginning, and they last end; and perfectly annihilate thyself in the presence of this eternal, immense, infinite Deity. Then more thyself forth in his presence in praises and thanksgiving; and invite all heaven and earth to join with thee in magnifying their Lord and thine, for his seerey and bounty to these

What return shall I make to thee, O'Lord, for all theu hast done for me? Behold, when I had no being at all, thou didst create me; and when I was gone astray, and thou didst create me; and when I was gone astray, and lost in my sins, thou didst redeemme, by thying for me. All that I have, all that I am, is thy diffe; and now, after all thy other favours, thou hast given me thyself: blessed be thy name for ever. Thou art great, O Lord, and exceedingly to be praised; great are thy works, and of thy wisdom there is no end; but thy tender meroies, thy bounty and goodness to me; are showe all thy works: these I desire to comfess and exceed for every

Bless, then, they Lord, O my soul, and let all that is within thee praise and magnify his name. Bless thy Lord, O my soul, and see thou never forget all that he hath done for then. Oall ye works of the Lord, bless the Lord, praise and glorify him for ever. O all ye angels of the Lord, bless the Lord, praise and glorify his holy name. Bless the Lord, all ye saints, and let the whole Church of heaven and earth join in praising and giving him thanks for all his owercies and graces to me; and so, in some measure, samply for what is due from me. But as all this still falls short of what I owe thee for thy infinite love, I offer to thee; O eternal Father, the same Son of thine whom thou hast given me, and his thanksgiving, which is infinite in value. Look not, then, upon my insensibility and linguatitude, but upon the face of thy Christ, and with him, and through him, receive this offering of my poor saif, which I desire to make to thee.

N.B. Here also may be recited the Conticle of the Three Children, the Te Deum, and some Psalms and Hymns of Praise, p. 416.

AN OBLATION AFTER COMMUNION.

O Father of mercies, and God of all consolation, how hast thou loved us, to whom thou hast given thy only begotten Son, once for our ransom, and daily for the food of our souls! What can I, a wretched creature, . return to thee for this infinite love? Verily nothing else but this same beloved Son of thine, whom thou hast given to me; and surely thou couldst give me nothing greater, or more worthy of thyself. Him, then, I offer to thee, O heavenly Father, with whom thou art always well pleased; him whom thou didst lovingly deliver up to death for me, and hast given me in this most holy sacrament, which we frequent for the everlasting memorial of his death. He is our High Priest and Victim; he is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world; he is our advocate and intercessor. Look down, then, upon him, and for his sake look down upon me, and upon us all. Remember all his sufferings which he endured here Digitized by Google

in his mortal life; his bitter anguish, his agony and bloody sweat; all the injuries and affronts, all the blows and stripes, all the bruises and wounds, that he received for us. Remember his death, which thou wast pleased should be the fountain of our life; and, for the sake of his sacred passion, have mercy on us.

O my dear Lord and Saviour, who hast here given me thyself, I would gladly make some suitable return to thee for this infinite love; I would gladly make thee some offering in acknowledgment of this rich present thou hast made me. But alas! thou knowest my poverty; thou knowest I have nothing worthy of thy acceptance; nothing but what, upon a thousand titles, is already thine. But, O my God, such is thy goodness, thou wilt be contented with the little that I can give thee, though it be thy own already; thou askest nothing but my heart, and this I here most willingly offer thee. Oh, be pleased to accept of it, and make it wholly thine for ever. I offer thee here my whole being, my body with its senses, and my soul with all its powers; that as thou hast at present honoured them both by thy presence, so they may both be thy temple for ever. Oh, sanctify and consecrate eternally to thyself this mansion, which thou hast this day chosen for thy abode. I give thee my memory, that it may be for ever recollected in thee; my understanding, that it may be always enlightened and directed by thy truth; and my will, that it may be ever conformable to thine, and ever burn with the love of thee. Oh, take me entirely into thy hands, with all that I have, and all that I am; and let nothing henceforward, in life or death, ever separate me from thee. Amen.

Hymns of Praise, see Hymns, "Classification of Subjects."

Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas.

I give thee thanks, O holy Lord, Father almighty, eternal God, that thou hast vouchsafed, for no merit of my own, but of the mere condescension of thy mercy, to satisfy me a sinner and thine unworthy servant with the precious body and blood of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. I implore thee, let not this holy communion be to me an increase of guilt unto my punishment, but an availing plea unto pardon and forgiveness. Let it be to me the armour of faith and the shield of good will. Grant that it may work the extinction of my vices, the rooting out of concupiscence and lust, and the increase within me of charity and patience, of humility and obedience. Let it be my strong defence against the snares of all my it be my strong defence against the snares of all my enemies, visible and invisible; the stilling and the calm of all my impulses, carnal and spiritual; my indissoluble union with thee the one and true God, and a blessed consummation, at my last end. And I beseech thee that thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring me, sinner as I am, to that ineffable hanquet where thou, with the Son and the Holy Ghost, art to thy Baints true and unfailing Light, fulness of content, joy for evermore, gladness without alloy, consummate and everlasting bliss. Through the same, &c.

Prayer of St. Bonaventura.

O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, pierce, I beseech thee, the inmost marrow of my soul with the tender and life-giving wound of thy love, with true, and calm, and holy apostolical charity, so that my whole soul may ever languish and faint for love of thee, and for desire of thee alone. May it long for thee and pine for thee in the courts of thy house; may it desire to be dissolved and to be with thee. Grant that my soul may hunger for thee, thou bread of angels, thou refreshment of holy souls, our daily supersubstantial bread, having all manner of sweetness

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and sayour, and all most thrilling delights. May my heart ever hunger for thee and feed on thee, on whom angels long to look; and may my inmost soul be filled with the sweetness of the taste of thee. May it ever thirst for thee, thou well of life, thou fountain of wisdom and knowledge; thou source of everlasting light, thou torrent of pleasures, thou fatness and abundance of the house of God; may it ever yearn towards thee, seek thee, find thee, tend towards thee. attain to thee, meditate ever on thee, speak of thee, and work all things to the praise and glory of thy Name, with humility and discretion, with love and delight, with neady care and glad affection, with perseverance even unto the end; and do thou be alone and evermore my hope, my whole trust, my riches, my delight, my gladness and my joy, my rest and my calmirepose, my peace and my sweet content, my fragrance and my sweetness, my food and my refreshment, my rafuge and my lielp, my wisdom, my portion, my own possession and my treasure, in whom my mind and my heart are fixed and rooted firmly and immovably for evermore. Amen.

I humbly implore thine ineffable mercy, O my Lord Jesus Christ, that this sacrament of thy body and blood, which I unworthy have now received, may be to me the cleansing of all my sins, the strengthening of what is weak within me, and my sure defence against all the perils of the world. May it bestow on me thy forgiveness and establish me in grace; may it be to meathe medicine of life, the abiding memory of thy Passion, my stay in weakness, the Viatioum and sure supply of all my pillmanage. May it lead me as I gu, being me back when I stumble, raise me again when I strengthen me to persevere even ento the end, and bring mento thy glory. O mest high God, nay the blissful presence of thy body and blood; so change the taste of my heart, that it may find no

sweetness more in aught besides thee alone, may love no other beauty, seek no unpermitted love, desire no consolution, admit novother delight, care for no honour but thine, stand in fear of no enemy or suffering. Who livest and reignest, &c:

Pious Aspirations to Jesus.

L have found him whom my soul leveth; I hold him and will not let him go. I embrace thee, O my Jesus, and receive the full joy of my love: I possess thee, thou treasure of my heart, in whom I possess all things. I implore thee, let my soul feel the power of thy presence; let it taste how sweet thou art, O my Lord, that, led captive by thy love, it may seek none else besides thee, nor love any else but for thy sake. Thou ast my King: forget not my tribulation and my need. Thou art my Judge; spare me, and be merciful to my sins. Thou ant my Physician: heal all my infirmities. They art the Spouse of my senl; betroth me to thyself for evermore. Thousant Leader and my Defender; place me by thy side, and them I care not who lifteth his hand against me. Thou hast offered thyself a Victim for me, and I will marifice to thee a sacrifice of praise. Thou art my Redeemer; redeem my soul from the power of hall, and preserve me. Thou art my God and my All; for what have I in heaven but thee, and besides thee what do I desire upon earth? Thou, O my God, art the God of my heart, and my portion for ever. Amen.

DEVOUT ACTS WHICH MAY HE MADE APPER COMMUNION.

Act of Adoration

I adore thee, O my God, my Creator, and Redeemer, with the greatest respect and profoundest reverence of which I am capable. Would that I were able to adore, honour, and glorify thee as much as thou deservest! Would that it were in my power,

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even at the cost of my life, to make all creatures know and worship thee!

I adore thy most holy soul, O my Jesus, who art here present. Sanctify my soul, my memory, my intellect, and my will: Anima Christi, sanctifica me. I adore thy most pure body, O my Lord: O chastest eyes of my Jesus, sanctify mine eyes; O most innocent tongue of Jesus, sanctify my tongue; O immaculate flesh of the Son of God, purify by thy touch my whole body: Corpus Christi, salva me. I adore thee, O most precious blood which was shed for me; wash me and strengthen me, and inebriate me with the love of Jesus: Sanguis Christi, inebria me.

I adore thee, O ineffable divinity, united to the humanity of Jesus; and, since I am not able to adore thee as thou deservest, accept the working of the angels and saints of Paradise, and of all the just who are or ever shall be upon earth; but, above all, accept the adoration of the Queen of Saints, most holy Mary, and especially those acts of worship she paid thee upon earth every time she received thee in the Blessed Sacrament; and, in addition to all this adoration (to which I desire to unite the weak strength of my poor soul), accept that which the most hely soul of Jesus paid, and will ever pay, to thine infinite Majesty. Ah, dear Jesus, would that I could make all souls receive thee worthily every day under the sacramental species; and that, by virtue of the blessed sacrament, there were imprinted on the hearts of all a perpetual remembrance of thy Passion and death. Receive, most loving Jesus, these my desires as an act of that profound adoration which it is my intention ever to pay thee, but especially every moment of this happy day, in which thou hast deigned to make thyself the food of my soul.

AW/Act of Thanksgiving.

O my God, how great is thy condescension; thy divine majesty hast come to me, who am a vile worm,

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a miserable sinner. What thanks do I not owe thee, dearest Lord, for having given me this infinite gift,

even thyself!

Thou wert not content with having shed all thy blood for me, with having died for my salvation upon the cross, but for love of me thou hast hidden thyself under the sacramental species, and art come to dwell within my heart. O unspeakable goodness! O wonderful love! O incomprehensible excess of charity! What thanks shall I return thee, my Jesus, for so great and loving a benefit? What shall I render to the Lord for all the things that he hath rendered me! I thank thee with the greatest reverence and homage for that highest of all gifts thou hast bestowed upon me in my communion; and since I know not how to thank thee as I ought for the great favour of receiving thee within me, I unite all my thanksgivings with those which thou, my Jesus, didst pay to thine Eternal Father, and which Mary, thy most holy Mother and mine, paid unto thee.

I thank thee and bless thee for the innumerable benefits thou hast conferred upon me, both for my soul and body. I thank thee for the love by which thou didst choose me from all eternity, preferring me to so many others who would have served thee better than I have done. I thank thee for having created me for so noble an end, as that of serving thee here, and enjoying thee in the life to come. I thank thee for having died upon the cross for my salvation—overwhelmed with pain and ignominy, and for having applied the fruit of thy blessed Passion to my soul, by such an abundance of holy inspirations, by sacraments so often reiterated, and by the inestimable gift of thy most holy faith. I thank thee for the great patience thou hast had with me in enduring my ingratitude and infidelities. I confess that I am for ever a debtor to thy wounds and thy blood, for having so often received the pardon of my sins, and escaped the everlasting fire of hell. Accept, O my

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Jesus, the offering I intend to make of these thy mercies and of all thy divine attributes and perfections, as a thanksgiving proportioned to the greatness of thy gifts. Accept especially the offering I make thee of thy love in dying for me; of thine immaculate flesh, tortured in a thousand ways in thy sorrowful Passion for love of me; of that precious blood which thou didst shed to the very last drop for my redemption, and which thou hast given me this morning to drink, as the pledge of that blessed eternity which I hope for as the summit and crown of all thy graces.

Act of Petition.

Since thou hast been pleased, most loving Jesus, to come and dwell within my heart, I cannot doubt of thy good will in granting me the favours I beg of thee; for how canst thou refuse to give me thy gifts who hast given me thyself? No, this is not possible, my dearest Lord, and therefore I feel the strongest confidence of obtaining all from thy goodness. I confess, O Lord, that I deserve nothing; but the more undeserving I am, the more is thy goodness glorified in bestowing thy grace upon me. I ask, then, O most loving Redeemer of my soul, a full pardon and remission of the guilt of all my sins, which I once more detest and abominate with all my heart; and for the remission of the temporal punishment which is due for them, I desire to gain all the indulgences I can, and beseech thee of thy goodness to give me the grace to do so.

By thy most precious blood, by thy body, soul, and divinity, which I have this morning received, I beg of thee with all humility to cleanse my heart from all spot and defilement. Create, O my Jesus, a pure and clean heart within me, and grant me a new spirit truly just and upright. Fill it with all the gifts of thy Holy Spirit, and adorn it with every virtue, especially with humility, patience, meekness, and mortification. Detach my heart from all created

things, fashion it after thine own most sacred heart, and unite it for ever to thyself in the bonds of perfect charity. Give me strength and courage to resist bravely all temptations until death: I purpose to banish them at once, and promise to avoid every occasion of sin. But, my Lord, thou knowest that of myself I can do nothing, and therefore I implore thee to help me and to strengthen me by thy blood.

I beseech thee to engrave upon my heart so lively a remembrance of thy Passion and death, and the bitter sorrows of my Mother Mary, that nothing henceforth may blot them from my memory, but that they be my continual meditation night and day; so that henceforth and to my last breath I may dwell on Calvary at the foot of thy cross, in company with our

dear Lady of Sorrows.

I beseech thee, too, my dearest Lord, most earnestly, to give me the grace to free myself once for all from the passion which most predominates in me, and the sin I most often fall into. (Here mention the particular passion, or sin, or fault.) I ask moreover for those temporal graces thou knowest to be most expedient for me, for thy greater glory and the salvation of my soul; and lest I should err in asking for what might be injurious for me, I leave it entirely to thee, and trust in thee, who alone hast goodness and infinite wisdom, to give me what thou knowest to be best for To all these graces add that highest and most precious gift, the crown and perfection of all thy other gifts, the grace of final perseverance. Do thou thyself, my Jesus, ask it of thine Eternal Father; show him thy wounds; offer him thy most precious blood; and then I shall be sure of being heard.

Lastly, I ask thee, my Jesus, to give me thy blessing before thou leavest me. I recommend my soul to thee during the whole of my life and in the hour of death. Every day and hour and moment I am getting nearer to that time. Ah, defend me, then, from all temptations, and give me grace to overcome them; grant me

the assistance of my Mother Mary; and oh, do not let me, in punishment for my sins, and especially for my irreverences towards the blessed sacrament and my unworthy communions—do not let me, I beseech thee, dear Lord, depart this life without having received the last sacraments, with proper dispositions.

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[You may here add any particular petitions which your heart may suggest to you to make to Jesus in behalf of your neighbour. Do not forget to pray for the Holy Church, the sovereign Pontiff, and all superiors, both ecclesiastical and secular. Recommend to our dear Lord the regular and secular clergy, and pray him to give them the true spirit of their holy vocation. Pray for your relations, friends, and benefactors, for the afflicted, the sick, and those in their agony. Recommend all poor sinners, and pray for their conversion and salvation. Do not forget to pray for heretics and infidels, beseeching God to enlighten them and give them grace to embrace the true faith; and especially pray for the return of England to the Church. "It is now fifty years," said the venerable Paul of the Cross, "that I have prayed for the conversion of England: I cannot do otherwise, even if I wished; for, as soon as I begin to pray, that poor kingdom comes before my mind: and I pray for the same intention every morning at Mass." In imitation of this venerable servant of God. you may do the same when you go to communion.]

I should indeed be ungrateful, O my Jesus, if after thou hast given me thyself in this holy communion, I were to delay an instant in giving myself entirely to thee. I offer thee, most loving Lord, my soul, together with my liberty. I offer thee my understanding, that, sanctified by thee, it may be occupied day and night in the consideration of thy blessed Passion and death and thy divine attributes. I give thee my memory, that I may ever have in remembrance the infinite mercies thou hast shown me. I give thee my will, that by thy holy love I may be entirely conformed

to the will of God, desiring nothing but what thou willest, and rejecting every thing that is displeasing to thee. I give thee my whole self, to be sanctified by thee in soul and body; and I intend in this offering to make an entire, irrevocable, and eternal sacrifice of myself and all that belongs to me. I offer and consecrate to thee my poor heart, which now desires to love thee so faithfully as to make amends for the infidelities of my past life. O my Jesus, detach my heart from creatures, unite it perfectly to thine own, and, hiding it within the loving wound of thy side, imprint deeply in it the memory of thy bitter Passion, and the sorrows of thy most holy Mother; so that, by frequent meditation on these mysteries, I may be filled with sorrow for my past sins, and for the time to come faithfully correspond to thine infinite love.

I offer thee all the senses of my body, particularly mine eyes and my tongue: grant that henceforth I may never more offend thee by them. I offer thee my thoughts, words, and deeds. My Jesus, I desire to unite all I have offered thee to the merits of thy most holy Passion and death, and the merits of my Mother Mary and all the Saints. I offer thee the good works I have done, as well as those I shall ever do in the whole course of my life, and I now make the intention of doing them all for thy greater glory, and in preparation and thanksgiving for the most holy sacrament. I offer thee all the acts of adoration, love, and thanksgiving which thou didst offer to the Eternal Father in the institution of the blessed sacrament, and during thy whole life on earth, together with those which our dear Lady, the holy Apostles, and all the Saints have ever offered thee. May they supply for the defects of the worship and adoration I desire to offer thee, though I know not how to perform it.

Blessed and praised every moment Be the most holy and most divine sacrament.

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REFLECTIONS AFTER COMMUNION.

1. Call to mind, as often as you can during the day, that you have received Jesus in the blessed sacrament. Try and repeat frequently this short sentence: "This morning Jesus Christ, the Son of God, condescended to come and dwell within me, and gave himself to me." By doing this, you will derive greater fruit from your communion; you will gain, more patience under difficulties, and be more careful in keeping the grace of God in your soul; you will more easily acquire true and real devotion; you will set a good example to others, and have a continual inducement to lead a good Christian life, if only you adopt this simple practice.

2. Retire frequently into your heart, in order to renew an act of adoration of Jesus, or of thanksgiving for the loving visit he made you in the morning, and rekindle the fire of divine charity by some holy aspiration. We should not so quickly lose the fervour of devotion and the love of God, if we took greater pains about this; and Jesus Christ would not have to lament the coldness with which men love him, if they only thought oftener of his benefits and his love, especially in the most holy sacrament, and

thanked him with their whole heart.

I. Frequently renew the offering of your heart to our dear Lord. By giving himself to you, he desires to gain you to his love, and earnestly asks you to give him your heart in exchange for the infinite gift he has given you. Will you be so ungrateful as to deny him your heart, and to give it to the world and the devil, on the very day on which he has come to take possession of it? Ah, no, this must not be: you have consecrated your heart to Jesus in your communion; you must ratify and onfirm this offering: and if the world, with its enticements, vanities, and false pleasures, wishes to enter into your heart, say that you have given it for ever to Jesus. If the

devil with his suggestions, and the flesh with its temptations, assail your heart, answer generously and courageously that you have given it to Jesus, to be his, and his only, to all eternity. Oh, if all Christians were but to do this after their communion, they would preserve the grace of God, and not relapse into sin.

4. Remember that your tongue has received Jesus, that it has touched his sacred body when you went to communion. Surely this thought will be enough to make you take the greatest pains not to defile by evil discourse or impure words that tongue which has been so highly favoured and henoured by our dear Lord. Only recall this thought to mind when you Lord. Only recall this thought to mind when you feel tempted to speak impatiently, or so as to offend or injure your neighbour; and I am sure you will keep yourself from offending Jesus with that tongue which has been sanctified by the touch of his sacred flesh.

5. If you are able, make a habit of paying a visit to the blessed sacrament every day; at any rate, try to do so in the evening, in order that you may close the day devoutly; and then make a spiritual communion, renewing in the most lively manner your desire nion, renewing in the most lively manner your desire to receive our dear Lord into your heart. Remamber, for love of us Jesus remains night and day in the tabernacle, ardently desiring to communicate himself to our souls, and bestow his graces upon us. Alt, what monstrous forgetfulness and ingratitude, if, when we can easily do so, we refuse to go to him even once during the day, to pay our homage and adoration to him in return for all his love!

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1. My God, my sovereign good, would that I had always loved thee!

2. My God, I detest the time in which I loved thee not.

3. How have I lived so long without thy holy love!
4. And thou, my God, how hast thou borne with me?

5. I thank thee, O my God, for so much patience.

6. Now I desire to love thee for ever.

7. I would rather die than cease to love thee.

8. My God, deprive me of life rather than permit that

I should cease to love thee.

9. The grace I ask of thee is, that I may always love thee.

10. With thy love I shall be happy.

Glory be to the Father.

1. My God, I desire to see thee loved by all men.

2. I should consider it a happiness to give my blood, in order that all men may love thee.

3. Blind are they who love thee not.

4. Enlighten them, O my God.

5. Not to love thee, O Sovereign Good, is the only evil to be feared.

6. Never will I be of the number of those blind souls

who love thee not.

7. Thou, O my God, art my joy and all my good.

8. I desire to be wholly thine for ever

9. Who shall ever be able to separate me from thy love? 10. Come, all created beings; come, all of you, and

love my God. Glory be to the Father.

1. My God, would that I had a thousand hearts to love thee!

2. Would that I had the hearts of all men to love thee!

3. How I should rejoice were there many worlds, who might all love thee!

4. I should be happy if I could love thee with the heart.

of all possible creatures.

5. Thou, indeed, dost merit it, O my God! 6. My heart is too poor and too cold to love thee!

7. O woful insensibility of man, in regard of this Sovereign Good!

•8. Oh, the blindness of worldlings, who know not true love i

9. O blessed inhabitants of heaven, who know it and love it!

10. O happy necessity, to love God! Glory be to the Father.

D O my God, when shall I burn with love for thee?

2. Oh, how happy would be my lot!

3. But since I know not how to love thee, I can rejoice at this, that so many others love thee with all their hearts.

4. I rejoice at this particularly, that the angels and saints love thee in heaven.

5. I unite my feeble heart to their inflamed hearts.

6. Would that I could love thee as well as those saints who have been most inflamed with love for thee!

7. Would that I had for thee a love similar to that of St. Mary Magdalene, St. Catherine, and St. Theresa!

8. Or such as that of St. Austin, St. Dominic, St. Francis

Xavier, St. Philip Neri, St. Aloysius Gonzaga.

9. Or as that which was entertained for thee by the hely Apostles; and particularly by St. Peter, St. Paul, and the beloved disciple.

10. Or, in fine, as that with which the great patriarch St. Joseph loved thee.

Glory be to the Father.

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1. Would, moreover, that I could love thee as the Blessed

Virgin loved thee upon earth!

2. As she loved thee, particularly when she conceived thy divine Son in her virginal womb, when she brought him into the world, when she nourished him with her milk and when she saw him die.

3. Would that I could love thee as she loves thee now,

and as she will love thee for ever in heaven!

- 4. But to love thee as thou deservest to be loved, O God, infinitely good, even this would not suffice.
- 5. I should wish, moreover, to love thee as the Divine Word made Man loved thee.

6. As he loved thee at his birth.

7. As he loved thee expiring on the cross.

8. As he loves thee continually in the tabernacles where he lies hid.

9. As he loves, and shall love thee for ever.

10. In fine, my God, I wish to love thee as thou lovest us; but since that is impossible, grant that I may love thee as well as I know how, as much as I can, and as much as thou wishest me. Amen.

Glory be to the Father.

Then say the following prayer:

O God, who hast prepared invisible rewards for those who love thee, pour forth some of thy love into our hearts, to the end that, loving thee in all and above all, we may obtain the accomplishment of thy premises, which surpass all desire; through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.1

You may also add the following:

Lift up thine eyes, (O my soul; behold and see the power of thy King, the grace of thy God, the love of thy Saviour, now that thou art so near to him. Take mow thy rest, taste and see how fair and how comely is the Spouse thou hast chosen. See what the delights are of that country towards which thou art sighing. See how fair the splendour of that country for which thou toilest. See what is the essence and what the infinite grandeur of thy God, whom thou hast loved, whom thou hast worshipped, for whom thou hast constantly longed.

O God of my life, what praises worthy of thee can I offer thee? Truly I know not. What shall I render unto thee, O my well-beloved, for all the benefits where with thou hast overwhelmed me? Thou in me, and I in thee, O Jesus my one good; this is the thank offering I set before thy glory. I have nothing else beside. My one only

offering'is what I am in thee, my life in thee.

O God, thou sacred object of my love, expand my heart in thee, enlarge my soul, and fill me with thy glory. O when shall it be said unto my soul: "Turn again into thy rest, for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with thee"? When, O when shall I hear that blissful word: "Come, enter into the holy place of the rest of thy Spouse"? O Jesus, my sweetest peace, when shall I lay me down and take my rest in thee, whilst thou showest me all thy glory?

¹ Pius VII., by a resoript, Aug. 11, 1818, granted an indulgence of three hundred days to all the faithful who should recite, with a contrite heart, a succession of acts of the love of God, arranged in form of a crown, with five "Gloria Patris," as contained in the Euccolia. By saying them ten times a month for a whole year, a person may gain a pleusary indulgence on any day he may choose; confession, communion, and prayers according to the Pope's intentions beling supposed.

A Method of hearing Mass for One who intends to communicate.

Assist at the Mass at which you are to communicate, as you would have assisted at the last Supper, at which Jesus Christ instituted the adorable Sacrament which you are about to receive. "With desire I have desired to eat this Pasch with you before I suffer," said this most lowing Saviour to his Apostles (Luke xxii. 15); the same desire constrains him to give himself to those among his children whose hearts he finds duly prepared. Renew, then, your attention, and quicken your fervour during this most holy Macrifice.

Before Mass.

How great is my happiness; the God of heaven and earth is coming to twell within me. Reflect for a moment, O my soul, on this most joyful thought.... How must I prepare my heart, of which that supper-room was but the figure!... O my God, prepare it for thyself; for without thee I can do nothing.

On seeing the Priest at the foot of the Attar, smagine you see Christ himself entering the supper-room; bow, yourself humbly down, and beg to be admitted by the side of Mary.

I come, O Lord, to beg for life and nourishment for my soul. Why should I be uneasy and disquieted at the sight of thy tabernacles? I have been invited by the love of thy divine heart, and am presented by Mary, whom thou hast given me for a mother. Let hum before mine eyes the bright torch of faith; purify my heart

sustain my weakness, send down upon me from the height of thy throne that heavenly wisdom which makes known to thy children the dignity of the sacraments, the holiness of thy law, and the majesty of thy presence. O my soul, go forward with confidence towards the holy mountain; thou art about to receive a God who fears to lose thee, and longs for thy salvation. Declare his praises, admire the wondrous effects of his divine charity; say to him: O God of all goodness, who art pleased to feed me with the bread of angels, inspire me with all the fervour of the blessed who reign with thee in heaven.

At the Confiteor.

Humble thyself at the remembrance of thy sins.

Thou wilt not accept, Lord, the praises of a guilty heart: I will not seek to justify myself before thee, I will cry aloud with the prodigal: I have sinned against heaven and before thee; I am not worthy to be called the beloved child of thy heart; it is through my fault that I have sinned, through my fault, my grievous fault, I cannot repeat it too often, both to render homage to the truth and to humble my own pride; I have abused thy graces a thousand times, and how theh shall I dare to seat myself at the table of the elect? O holy Virgin, who wast the sanctuary of the Son of God made man; O angel of the desert, who didst prepare his way; O faithful disciples, who didst listen to him with such docility, and didst receive him with such faith in that holy supper; O blessed spirits, who possess him in heaven, join your prayers with mine; beg of him grace for me, and he will hear you: yea, his mercy itself will speak, and disarm the divine justice. Oh, that, purified by the graces which you shall obtain for me, I may merit to be admitted to the table of the Lord.

At the Introit.

Celebrate the goodness of the Lord for the gift which he has bestowed upon as in the Mystery of the holy Eucharist.

The Lord hath opened the gates of lieaven; he hath

rained down manna to feed us; he hath given us the bread of angels. Thy goodness, O my God, hath prepared it for the poor and humble heart; blessed be thou, O God of Israel, thou only canst work such wonders for me. I will offer to thee, in the presence of all thy people, the homage of my love and gratitude.

At the Kyric.

Implace the mercy of the Lord.

The days of propitiation have arisen upon me: I may call thee by thy name, O God of majesty; I may call thee my Saviour and my Father. Thou art present on our altars, only that thou mayest heap thy favours upon us: I will draw nigh, then, with confidence unto the throne of thy mercy, and I will say unto thee: Lord, bave mercy on me.

At the Gloria in excelsis.

Give glory to God, and ask of him the peace of a good conscience.

Glory to God, whose justice is satisfied by the perpetual sacrifice of so noble a victim. Peace and consolation on earth to men of good will, who behold a God annihilating himself daily, to save and to feed them with his own substance. I praise thee, O Lord: I bless thee, I adore thee, I stand amazed at the sight of the wonders of thy love. And shall I suffer them to be of no avail to me through the evil dispositions of my heart? Shall I still reject that peace which thou offerest me? Shall I not labour to acquire that good will by which it comes? O my God, allay the strife which is so often excited in my heart, making the flesh rebel against the spirit.

At the Collects.

Grant to me thy love, 'O my God; this I ask thee through the intercession of Mary, my tender mother, and of all the Saints, especially N and N, my patrons, and those whom the Church commemorates to-day. Grant

me, I beseech thee, the necessary dispositions to partake worthily of the precious body and blood of thy divine Son.

At the Epistle.

Promise God to take his law for thy rule of life.

"Wisdom hath built herself a house, she hath hewer her out seven pillars. She hath slain her victims, mingled her wine, and set forth her table. She hath sent her maids to invite to the tower, and to the walls of the city: Whosoever is a little one, let him come to me. And to the unwise she said: Come, eat my bread, and drink the wine which I have mingled for you. Forsake childishness, and live, and walk by the ways of prudence." Prov. ix. 1-6.

At the Gradual.

The bread of angels is become the bread of the sons of Adam. O unheard-of wonder! the Lord is the nourishment of the weak, of the slave, and the abject. One God in three persons, thou whom we adore from the bottom of our hearts, vouchsafe to visit us; admit us into the banquet-chamber of thy love. This is the happiness to which all our desires are tending, that we may sit down at thy holy table.

At the Gospel.

It is the Lord who is going to speak; listen to his word with reverence and with love.

"Jesus said to the Jews: Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that which endureth unto life everlasting, which the Son of man will give you. For him hath God the Father sealed. They said, therefore, unto him: What shall we do, that we may work the works of God? Jesus answered, and said to them: This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he hath sent. They said, therefore, to him: What sign, therefore, dost thou shew that we may see, and may believe thee? What dost thou work? Our fathers did

eat manna in the desert, as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said to them: Amen, amen I say to you: Moses gave you not bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life to the world. They said, therefore, unto him: Lord, give us always this bread. And Jesus said to them: I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall not hunger, and he that believeth in me shall never thirst," John vi. 27-35.

At the Offertory.

Offer yourself to God, and beseech him to accept the sacrifice of your heart.

That which the priest offers to thee, Lord, is nothing but earthly substance; but soon it will become the adorable body and the precious blood of Jesus Christ,

by virtue of thy word.

O God of infinite goodness, I offer thee my heart; vouchsafe to change it, to bless and sanctify it; renew in me thy image, which hath so many times been disfigured by sin; change its evil inclinations into that happy disposition which makes virtue the object of its love; destroy sin in me as quickly as thou art about to destroy these substances, of which there will remain nothing more than the sensible appearances. Oh, that I may become, by the help of thy grace, worthy of possessing thee here on earth, and of reigning with thee eternally in heaven.

At the Lavabo.

Ask of God purity of heart, that you may make a worthy Communion.

O God, infinitely good and infinitely holy, pour down upon me this day the salutary streams of thy grace. I come to present myself at thy holy table; I shall have part in that bread of life which only the children of thy kingdom should receive; I shall partake of that heavenly manna, which is offered only to those who have over

come the world and hell. Have I had the liappiness of overcoming them? Blot sirt, O Lord, the least stain which sin bath left in my heart. Suffer not my soul to perish with the souls of the wicked. If I have not walked in innocence, deliver me from my iniquities.

At the Prefuce.

Unite your adorations with those which the Augels and the Saints render to Jesus Christ in heaven.

Let us lift ourselves up to heaven, O my soul, and render thanks to the Lord our God. How just is it, O holy Father, and how reasonable to glorify thee, to give thee thanks, at all times and in all places, as our benefactor and our God. Through Jesus Christ, the Angels and the Virtues of the heavens, the Cherubim and Seraphim, emulate each other in celebrating thy glory and singing thy immortal praises. May I, great God, unite my heart and voice with their celestial songs and transports, and cry with them: Haly, hely, hely, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is be that cometh in the name of the Lord, and shall descend upon this altar, and enter into my heart.

At the Canon.

Pray fervently for the Church, for your brefhren, &c. and nourself.

O God of mercy, hear my prayers; bless this holy Church, to which I belong by the grace of baptism, and which opens to me this day her treasures, giving me the body and the blood of her divine Spouse; bless our chief pastor, the bishops, and the priests; pour down upon all those whom thou hast called to the sacred ministry. all those whom thou hast carred to the sacred ministry, the spirit of zeal and piety; maintain them in the purity of the faith, and make me always obedient to their salutary teachings. Look favourably on all the faithful who assist with me at thy holy sacrifice. Sustain the weak, console the poor and the afflicted, heal the wounds of sinners, enlighten the chimil, reclaim the impanitement.

I pray to thee, O Lord, for all, because thou art the Lord of all; thou offerest thyself a sacrifice for all, and willest that we should all be of one heart, and all be

animated with the same spirit.

Behold thy King, O my soul; behold him who cometh to thee full of sweetness and tenderness; he veils the brightness of his divine majesty, that he may give thee a nearer access to him. O admirable condescension! O miracle of love, which God alone can perform!

At the Elevation of the Host.

Adore Jesus Christ present on the Altar.

O Jesus, true bread of the strong, celestial manna, who givest to man a blessed immortality, I adore thee; be thou the life and the nourishment of my soul. My Lord and my God, I place my whole trust and confidence in thee. O Heart of Jesus, inflame my heart with thy divine love.

At the Elevation of the Chalice.

O adorable blood of my Redeemer, that wast shed for my salvation, thou art all my hope: O cleanse me from the least stains of sin, and apply to me thy infinite merits. Sanctify my soul, preserve it without spot, and be the pledge of my eternal happiness.

During the remainder of the Canon.

The God who comes to dwell in your heart has descended on the Altar; speak to him with the most profound reverence and the most tender love.

The heavens are opened; the Holy of holies has descended on the earth; this altar is now the throne where dwells the majesty of the Most High; the angels surround him, and, with the most lively homage of reverence and love, make reparation to him for the contempt, the neglect, and the indifference of men.

And thou, O Lord, whilst these sublime intelligences annihilate themselves before thee, thou askest my

heart, and wouldst have it whole and entire. Make it thine, O Jesus, whelly and entirely thine. Thou savest: I am come to cast fire on the earth, and what will I but that it be kindled? Let my desire, O Lord, correspond with the ardour and badeiness of thine; ilst me receive by love that which only love could give me. Lord, I love thee, but do thou increase my love, that I may be able truly to say, with thy apostle: Who shall separate me from the love of Jesus Christ?

At the Pater noster.

Ask of God the bread of Angels, and be urgent in thy supplications to obtain it.

O my Father, who reignest in heaven some and reign in my soul, come and sanctify it by thy presence; come and subject it to thy holy will, and render it obedient to the inspirations of thy grace. Nourish it this day with this mysterious bread, to satisfy its hunger; extinguish in my heart every feeling of hatred and revenge; forgive me as I forgive. Grant to me such wisdom and such strength that I may triumph over all temptations. Deliver me from all those evils which oppress me, and under which I groun, being burdened. I come to thee, as a child to his father, to be fed; as a subject to his prince, to be protected; as one afflicted, to his enly sunccour, to be consoled and comforted.

At the Agnus Del.

Again beseech the Lord to forget all thy past prevarications and transgressions.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, pure and spotless victim, who only canst satisfy the justice of an offended God, vouchsafe to make me partaker of the merits of thy saterfice. What lessons of humility, meckness, charity, and patience dost thou not give me! Impress these virtues upon my heart, that it may be to thee a pleasant habitation, wherein thou mayout repose, as in an abode of peace.

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At the Domine, non sum dignus.

The Lord loves to find in our hearts humility.

O my Lord, I am not worthy of approaching thee. The heavens are not pure in thy sight, how, then, can a heart so wretched as mine receive thee! And yet I cannot resolve to bid thee depart from me. One only word from thee would suffice to cleanse me: speak, then, Lord; say to my soul: I am thy salvation. And since thou art pleased to invite the third to it, do thou thyself prepare it for the happiness of receiving thee. Jesus, most loying Jesus, have mercy on me!

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Now the Lord thwells within you, beseach him to speak to you; listen to him in the silence and the recollection of your soul. O most precious moment, if you could but profit by it?

I have found him whom my soul leveth; I possess him, and I will never more leave him. What have I to desire in heaven, and what can I henceforth love upon earth, but thee, O my God, the God of my heart? What shall I render to the Lord for all the benefits he hath done unto me? Lord, teach me thyself what thou wouldst have me to do. My beloved to me, and I to him. I live, now not I; but Christ liveth in me. I will not depart from thy tabernacle, O my God, till thou hast blessed me.

At the Benediction.

Pour down upon me, O Lord, by the hand of thy minister, thy most abundant blessings; that they may put the seal to all the graces which thou hast now bestowed upon me.

At the last Gospel.

O Word made flesh, who didst annihilate thyself to give thyself to me, thou who art the life and the light of the world, enlighten me; discover to me thy greatness,

that my heart may be filled and penetrated with the most filial confidence, the tenderest love, and the liveliest gratitude. How ought I not to be affected with the exceeding privilege I have enjoyed! For to communicate is to receive God into my heart. How unspeakable the mysteries of a sacrament which unites man to God himself! O my God, I unite myself to thee by the ties of love and gratitude; thus only can I correspond with thy mercies.

Prayer-Anima Christi.

Anima Christi, sanctifica me. Corpus Christi, salva me. Sanguis Christi, inebria me. Aqua lateris Christi, lava me.

Passio Christi, conforta me.

O bone Jesu, exaudi me. Intra vulnera tua absconde

Ne permittas me separari a te.

▲b hoste maligno defende me.

In hora mortis mese voca me,

Et jube me venire ad te. Ut cum Sanctis tuis laudem te,

In sacula saculorum. Amen.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water out of the side of Christ,

wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen

O good Jesus, hear me. Within thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malignant enemy defend me.

At the hour of my death call me,

And bid me come unto thee.

That with thy Saints I may praise thee,
For all eternity. Amen.

Indulgenced Prayer before a Crucifix, see p. 473.

A Mass of Thanksgibing atter Communion.

At the commencement of Mass.

THE presence of Jesus Christ is within me. Why art thou still sorrowful, O my soul; and why dost thou still disquiet me? Alas! I know it but too well; it is the remembrance of thy sins that afflicts thee; thou canst not rid thyself of it, this bitter remembrance; it recurs to thy mind incessantly; thy grief is most just. And yet, hope in the Lord, abandon thyself to the sweet thought of his mercies. What oughtest thou not to expect from a God who is come to visit thee, to console thee, and to strengthen thee! O Jesus, obliterate the least traces of my past sins, root out from my heart every affection, every inclination which could grieve O holy Virgin, who wast always thy divine heart. faithful to the grace which preserved thee from the taint of sin; O holy precursor of Jesus Christ, who didst preserve to the last moment of thy life the grace which had sanctified thee in thy mother's womb; O beloved disciples, who were confirmed in all those sentiments of faith and piety with which your divine Master had inspired you; and you, O blessed souls, who are exempted for ever from all return to weakness and inconstancy, pray for me; obtain for me that gift of perseverance, which so happily conducted you to the harbour of salvation.

At the Introit.

O divine Jesus, I love thee with all my heart; may I ever be grateful to thee for the blessings which thou hast bestowed upon me this day. Again thou art about to

descend upon this altar, and to renew thy sacrifice: come, then, O Lord Jesus; my weakness implores thy tender compassion. O ye heavens, let fall your precious dew, that the clouds may bring forth the Just One, and I may have the happiness once more of beholding my Saviour.

At the Kyrie.

O merciful Father, adopt me for ever into the number of thy beloved children. O most loving Jesus, say to my soul: Fear not; I am thy salvation. O sanctifying Spirit, give me a right understanding of all the truths of faith; breathe into my heart the spirit of piety; make me partaker of all the fruits of a fervent communion, and grant me grace to walk constantly in the path of virtue and good works.

At the Collects.

O Lord, vouchsafe favourably to hear the prayers which thy priest offers to thee for the Church and for me.

I carnestly beseech thee to grant me those graces and virtues of which I have need, in order to deserve thy love. Fill my heart with eternal gratitude for the blessing which thou hast just conferred upon me, with a lively horror of sin, and with perfect charity towards my neighbour. Make my whole life worthy of one who is thy child. I deserve not to be heard for my own sake, O my God; but I beseech thy mercy through the merits of thy divine Son, who lives within me.

At the Epistle.

"My dearly beloved, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in the time of visitation; easting all your care upon him, for he hath care of you. Re sober and watch; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, goeth about seeking whom he may devour... Whom resist ye, strong in faith, knowing that the same affliction befalls your brethren who are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory in Christ Jesus,

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after you have suffered a little, will himself perfect you, and confirm you, and establish you. To him be glory and empire for ever and ever. Amen." 1 Pet. v. 6-11.

At the Gradual.

If it were sufficient for a woman of Israel only to touch thy garment to be healed, what ought not I to hope from thee, O Jesus, to whom thou hast but just given thyself wholly in Communion!

Heal, O my Saviour, all the infirmities of my soul; enlighten its darkness, and teach me how sweet is thy

yoke, and how light thy burden.

At the Gospel.

"Jesus said to the Jews: My flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, abideth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father, so he that eateth me, the same also shall live by me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Not as your fathers did eatemanna, and are dead; he that eatath of this bread shall live for ever." John vi. 56-59.

Make me to meditate deeply on these words, O Jesus; may I shew by my works that my strongest desire is to sit often at the table, in the midst of the beloved chil-

dren.

At the Offertory

I offer myself to thee, O Lord, as thou didst offer thyself to thy Father, when thou wast fastened to the cross; and as thou didst reserve nothing to thyself which thou didst not give up in sacrifice, so do I wish to keep nothing back, but to give up all to thee. Receive, then, O Lord, the offering of all my stroughts, of all my affections, of my whole being. Leannot return thee thanks proportioned to thy benefits; and therefore I call to my aid the grayers and merits of all those who have the happiness of uniting themselves to thee by fervent Communions.

At the Lavabo.

O my Jesus, would that I could take thee to witness of the holiness of my life and the innocence of my heart! But, with the prophet, I must cry out > It is in thy mercy only that I place my hope; my consolation is in meditating on thy promises to the penitent heart, and thy faithfulness in performing them: confounded at all that I have committed to this day, and encouraged by the favours with which thou hast just loaded me, I can but promise to correspond better with thy graces than I have hitherto done. No, never, after the Communion which I have this day made, will I be found in the society of the wicked: I will purify myself more and more with tears of penitence; I will bless thee as I do this day, and I will sing of the wonders of thy power and of thy mercy.

At the Preface.

The Priest says: Lift up your hearts.

Answer: Yea, my heart, with all its affections, is lifted up to heaven: let the world disappear from mine eyes; henceforth I have nothing here below.

The Priest continues: Let us give thanks unto our

Lord God.

Answer: What can be more meet and just? Can I have a more sacred duty than to give thanks to a God

who hath heaped such great benefits upon me?

Then add: Thou art within me, O Jesus; bless, adore, and give thanks to thy heavenly Father. By thee it is that the powers of heaven praise and adore the divine Majesty, in thee that I am united with them to sing eternally; Blessed for ever be thou, O Jesus, for having come down on earth to revive amongst us the glorious title of the children of God; blessed for ever, for having come this day to visit my poor dwelling, and enabling me to offer to God thrice-holy, my Creator and Benefactor, that homage of adoration and praise, of love and thanksgiving, which is due unto him from me and all his

At the Canon.

I bow myself down before thee, O Father of mercies, and pray thee to pour down upon me thy holy benediction and thy sanctifying grace. Accept the sacrifice which I make to thee of my soul and all its powers, my body and all its senses, in union with the sacrifice of thy divine Son, which thy priest now offers to thee. I unite myself with the glorious Mary ever Virgin, and I beseech her to intercede for me with thee, and to obtain for me the graces which I ask. I unite myself with thy Apostles and Martyrs (especially N and N); vouchsafe to receive the offering of my heart and of my life, for the sake of the secrifice which they made to thee of themselves and of all that they possessed. There wants but one only word from thee to work the greatest marvels. Speak the word, O my God, and again the body of thy Son will be present under the species of bread, and his blood under the species of wine; speak the word, my body and my spirit and my heart shall be devoted and consecrated to thee for ever.

O Jesus, the sweet delight of my soul, let heaven and earth, with all their glory, veil themselves before thee. All their beauty and grandeur come from thee, and can never approach to a comparison with thy adorable per-

fections.

At the Elevation.

Prostrate yourself before the Lord your God, and adore him, for he is the good Shepherd, who has brought back the sheep that had strayed from the fold, and who has now-rished it with his own flesh and blood.

O Jesus, whom we now discern through a thick veil, we beseech thee to hear our most fervent petitions. We desire to behold thee one day face to face, and to enjoy the blessedness of thy elect.

O sacred Host, who openest the gates of heaven, our enemies press on us from every side, do thou sustain our strength, and we shall obtain the victory over hell, the world, and our own evil thoughts.

During the remainder of the Canon.

O my God, I know not how to give thee thanks for the favour thou hast bestowed upon me in feeding me with the body and blood of thy divine Son; but I find in the sacred Victim which has been immolated on this altar wherewithal to repay thee for so great a benefit. I have offered it to obtain the grace of receiving thee worthily; I now offer it to testify to thee my gratitude for the Communion which I have had the happiness to make. I have presented thee this spotless Lamb as a victim of expiation, a victim of sanctification; I now present it to thee as a victim of thanksgiving; receive it, O my God, and let the entire sacrifice which Jesus Christ makes to thee of his adorable person, be the model of that sacrifice which I make to thee of my whole self at the foot of thy altar.

Since I have the happiness of possessing thee, O Jesus. permit me to open my heart to thee, and to enjoy thee as my soul desires; so that thou mayest make me to hear thy voice, and I may speak to thee in secret, as friend converses with friend. Thou art within me, O Lord. and hast admitted me into the interior of thy heart; keep me united to thee eternally. Thou art my beloved. chosen from among a thousand; in thy heart my soul desires to dwell for ever: what blessing, what consolation shall I never fail to find in thee! Make me to taste the unspeakable sweetness of thy love. That which most delights the heart of the children of Adam in this world can never more be pleasing to me; I desire to love nothing more on earth but for the love of thee; I desire only thee, O unchangeable Beauty; to possess thee is to enjoy the purest, the most heavenly delights. In thee alone, O Jesus, I find a solid peace, a life exempt from troubles and disquietudes. He who possesses thee enters into the joy of the Lord; he has no longer any thing to fear; he can want nothing, so long as he remains united with the Supreme Good, which contains all goods.

At the Pater.

How sweet is it, O my God, to give thee the name of

Father! Thou reignest in the heavens, and thou hast descended into my heart. Let my life be employed in glorifying thy name; let all my thoughts and all my affections be henceforth subject to thy will, and referred to thy glory. This is the desire, O Lord, which most affects my heart, to come often to this same table, to the foot of this same altar, to nourish myself with the bread of angels. O my Father, this is the bread of thy beloved children, suffer me never to render myself unworthy of it. Sustain me so powerfully by thy grace, that I may often have the happiness of receiving thee. O my Jesus, immolated for the love of me, had I but as great desire to unite myself to thee, as thou hast to unite thyself to me, I should not be deprived of this happiness any day of my life; increase, then, in me this holy desire; strengthen me against the assaults of the enemy of my salvation, who flatters me in order to destroy me, who tempts me in order to corrupt me, who draws me to himself that he may cast me down to hell; make me to burn with the same love for thee that thou burnest with for me

At the Agnus Dei.

Lamb of God, adorable Victim, who wast immolated for the expiation of my sins, blot out the slightest stains of sin in a soul which possesses thee, and wishes to be wholly thine. Thou hast taught me how thou lovest sweetness and humility; destroy, by thy presence, every thing that could henceforth trouble the peace of my soul, and deprive me of thy love.

At the Communion.

Thou art going to leave me, O my Saviour; thy body and blood will soon cease to reside within my soul; say to me, as thou saidst to thy Apostles, that thou leavest thy peace with me; give it to me in pledge of the graces and succours of which I shall have need, that I may never lose the fruit of the Communion which I have had the happiness of making.

May this Communion deliver me from the tyranny of

my bad thoughts, break off the yoke of my evil habits, and dispose me always to the practice of thy holy commandments. Let nothing henceforth separate me from thee, O Jesus; not the attractions of the world, nor the illusions of sense, nor the wanderings of my imagination, nor the evil passions of my heart.

At the Post-Communion.

Intercede once more for me, O Mother of my God, my advocate, my tender Mother; ye Angels of the Most High, watch over me; and ye, O elect of God, whom the Church hath given me for protectors, employ your powerful influence, that the Communion which I have made this day may consecrate for ever to the Lord my mind, my heart, and my whole being.

At the Benediction.

May the blessing of the priest, O most Holy Trinity, be to me the pledge that thou wilt be faithful to thy promises; and since thou blessest, from the height of thy glory, those whom thy ministers bless on earth, may thy. blessing descend upon me, accompany and follow me, so that, ever bearing in mind thy benefits, I may occupy myself only with testifying to thee the gratitude I own thee.

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Visits to the Most Holy Bacrament.

An Act of Adoration to the Most Holy Trinity.

I most humbly adore thee, O uncreated Father, and thee, O only-begotten Son, and thee, O Holy Ghost the Paraclete, one almighty, everlasting and unchangeable. God, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. I acknowledge in thee a true and ineffable Trinity of persons, a true and indivisible Unity of substance. I glorify thee, O ever-serene effulgent Trinity, one only Deity, my most compassionate Lord, my sweetest hope, my dearest light, my most desired repose, my joy, my life, and all my good. To thy most merciful goodness I commend my soul and body; to thy most sacred Majesty I wholly devote myself, and to thy divine will resign and yield myself eternally. All honour and glory be to thee for ever and ever. Amen. O heavenly Father, O most forgiving Father, O Lord

God, have mercy upon me a wretched sinner, have mercy upon all men. In fullest reparation, expiation, and satisfaction for all my iniquities and negligences, and for the sins of the whole world, and perfectly to supply the deficiency of my good works and merits, I offer to thee thy beloved Son, Christ Jesus, in union with that sovereign charity with which thou didst send him to us, and didst give him to us as our Saviour. I offer his transcendent virtues, and all that he did and suffered for us. I offer his labours, sorrows, torments, and most precious blood. I offer the merits of the most blessed Virgin Mary, and of all thy Saints. Assist me, I beseech thee, O most merciful Father, through the

same thy Son, by the power of thy Holy Spirit. Have mercy on all unhappy sinners, and graciously call them back to the way of salvation. Grant to all living pardon and grace, and to the faithful departed eternal light and rest. Amen.

O Holy Spirit, sweetest Comforter, who proceedest from the Father and the Son in an ineffable manner, come, I beseech thee, and sink into my heart. Purify and cleanse me from all sin, and sanctify my soul. Wash away its defilements, moisten its dryness, heal its wounds, subdue its stubbornness, melt its coldness, and correct its wanderings. Make me truly humble and resigned, that I may be pleasing to thee, and thou mayest abide with me for ever. O most blessed light, O most amiable light, enlighten me! O ravishing joy of Paradise, O fount of purest delights, O my God, give thyself to me, and kindle vehemently in my inmost soul the fire of thy love. O my Lord, instruct, direct, and defend me in all things. Give me strength against all immoderate fears and a pusillanimous spirit; bestow upon me a right faith, a firm hope, and a sincere and perfect charity; and grant that I may ever do thy most gracious will. Amen.

Four Aspirations of Love to Jesus to obtain an ardent Love of God.

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O Jesus, most sweet, most secret, and most intimate Speuse of holy souls, inflame vehemently, I beseerh thee, my heart with the love of thee, that I may delight in thee from my immest soul. Visit me in thy mercy, and fill my heart with thy grace, for the very depths of my being long for thee, the fountain of sweetness.

O my Lord Jesus, O Fire that burnest sweetly, and shinest secretly, and consumest gently, take full possession of my whole heart. O King of kings, King of eternal glowy, grant that I may hanger and thirst for

thee alone, sigh after thee, and ardently desire to be-

hold thy ravishing countenance.

O amiable Jesus, pierce my heart of hearts with the sweetest dart of love; penetrate my soul with burning charity, that it may languish altogether with desire and love or thee. Let it be wholly dissolved in love, wholly melt away, and be absorbed in thee.

O Lord, disengage my soul from all things here below, that it may freely tend to thee alone, and thou alone mayest inhabit it, its owner and possessor. Let thy most sweet fragrance descend upon me; let the ineffable odour of thy divine charity come to me, to

excite in me incessantly all pure desires.

Grant, O my Lord, that, wholly filled with the sweetness of thy love, and wholly set on fire with the flame of heavenly charity, I may delight in thee with my whole heart, and from the deepest recesses of my inmost soul. May I love thee, O sweet Lover; may I love thee, O only salvation of my soul; may I love thee, for thou hast first loved me! O Spouse most lovely, most beloved, grant that I may love thee more and more. Let the strong violence of thy love utterly dislodge from my heart the weight of all earthly desires, and make me run without ceasing in the odour of thy ointments.

O my own most compassionate Lord, write on the tablet of my heart the sweet memory of thee, which no forgetfulness may ever erase, that I may ever burn with the desire of thee, that I may be wholly set on fire with the flame of thy love, and drowned in the deluge of

thy charity.

11.

O my God, ocean of holy love and sweetness, come and give thyself unto my soul. Grant that with a perfect heart, full desira, and burning affection, I may unceasingly aspire after thee, and lovingly respire in thee. May I prefer thee to every creature, for thee renounce every transitory delight, O my true, my highest joy!

Feed me, Lord, thy poor, famished beggar, with continual draughts of thy divinity; refresh me with the wished-for presence of thy grace. This I seek, this

I long for, that a vehement love may penetrate me through and through, and fill me, and transmute me

into itself.

Grant, O most benign Redeemer, that I may be wholly inflamed with the love of thee, that I may leave off from myself, and delight only in thee, know only thee, feel only thee. O overflowing abyss of divinity! draw me to thee, and immerse me in thyself; so seize and take to thyself all the affection of my heart, that it may be wholly dead to all beside.

O God of all sweetness, I call thee into my soul; I cry to thee, I long for thee with a large affection, O surpassing delight of the most intimate union! Come, my Beloved, come, a thousand thousand times desired, that I may inwardly possess thee, and clasp thee in the chaste

embraces of my soul!

O Light that ever shinest, and never fadest, enlighten me! O Fire that ever burnest, and never failest, enkindle me! O Love that ever glowest, and never faint-

est, absorb, transmute me into thee!

O dear Light of mine eyes, Jesus, chase away all darkness from the chambers of my heart, and illumine me throughout with the splendour of thy grace! Enter into my soul, O perfect sweetness, that it may savour of

sweet things, and find its joy and rest in thee!

O my Beloved, sole object of my vows, grant that I may find thee, and finding, may retain thee, and hold thee fast bound in the arms of my soul. I long for thee, I pant after thee, O bliss eternal! Oh, that thou wouldst give thyself to me, unite me intimately to thee, and mebriate me wholly with the wine of heavenly charity.

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Wound, O Lord, the secret recesses of my immost being with the arrow of thy love, and send the saving flame deep into the marrow of my cold and torpid heart; that, all on fire with the inextinguishable flame of charity, and penetrated with the unspeakable sweetness of thy Spirit, I may be wholly transferred from myself to thee.

Receive me, O beauteous Spouse, Jesus, into the

closest embraces of thy love, that, folded therein, my dull, cold heart may glow all through with warmth. Open, Lord, open when I knock, and admit my desolate soul into the chamber of thy love, and, in thy mercy,

espouse it to thyself.

May I draw from thee the living water, O Fount of honied sweetness, that by the very taste thereof I may never thirst again for any thing but thee. Let the heavenly dew of thy sweet-dropping charity come down upon me, that, inwardly imbued therewith, I may be preserved pure from earthly desires and unchaste affections.

O dearest of all that is dear to me, grant that I may be wholly thine, and that thou mayest continue mine for ever. So join, so fasten me to thyself, that I can never be separated from thee; so yield, so impart thyself to me, that, filled with the sweetness of thy peace, I may find my chaste delight for evermore in thee.

O Light serene and peaceful, O my God, irradiate my soul with thy bright beams! Draw me closer to thee, O thou glowing Sun, that, at thy powerful heat, the soil of my heart may bring forth the flowers and fruits of

holy love!

O my glory, O my joy, O my unmixed delight, Jesus, kindle, I pray thee, such a flame of love in my inmost heart, that henceforth I may choose nothing, desire no-

thing, in the world but thee!

O my Lord, let heaven and earth, and all things contained therein, without thee, be to me like a cold, wintry waste. Do thou alone affect me, do thou alone delight me; may the love of thee alone live and burn within me, and continue ever living and ever burning.

IV.

Shine down upon me, O most bright and genial Light, that the thick shades of my blindness may be changed into the clearest noonday splendour. O good Jesus, adorn my soul with that grace of charity which thou lovest; anoint it with that richness of love which thou delightest in. Take from it whatever is less pleasing

to these eyes, and render it in every thing acceptable to

O sweetest Flame, devour and happily consume the very ashes of my substance! Transfer me to thyself, that, joined to thee by the indissoluble tie of love, I may live of thee, and flourish before thee as a lily.

O fairest, O most blooming Flower, Jesus! O Life that never fadest! O Life by which I live, without which I die! O Life by which I rejoice, without which I mourn! O Life most sweet and amiable, grant that I may be joined to thee, and, soothed to sleep in thy embrace by sweetest charity, may find my holy reat in thee, who art our perfect peace.

Grant, O my Lord, that, filled with the violence of a burning love, and melted with the sweetness of a penetrating charity, my soul may be dissolved in thee. Possess it, O sovereign, O priceless Good, possess it, that it may

possess thee, and find its blessedness in thee.

O my Beloved, pierce, transfix my heart with the sharpest dart of love, that my soul may be refreshed in languishing for thee. Let all transitory things grow worthless in my eyes; do thou only please me, do thou only make me glad with thy incomparable beauty.

Break down, O sweet Jesus, the hateful wall of my tepidity, and grant that, with a free and ready heart, I may follow thee with inextinguishable fervour. Let blow the south wind of ardent lowe, which may so vehemently impel me to thee, that, apart from thee, there

may be no breath in me.

O Jesus, only comforter of my heart, let fall unceasingly upon me, I beseech thee, the sweet dew of thy grace. Draw me to thee by the potent virtue of thy love, and imprint upon me the kiss of thy forgiveness, that, sealed therewith, I may henceforth love nothing beside thee; for thou art my whole possession, and the whole blessedness of my soul.

O sacred banquet, in which Christ is received; the memory of his passion is renewed; the mind is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

Debotions to the Mast Holy Sacrament.

A Prayer for the Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

O divine Redeemer of our souls, who of thy great goodness hast been pleased to leave us thy precious body and blood in the blessed Sacrament of the Altar, I adore thee with the most profound reverence. I humbly thank thee for all the favours thou hast bestowed upon us, especially for the institution of this most holy Sacrament. And as thou art the source of every blessing, I entreat thee to pour down thy benediction this day upon us, and upon all those for whom we offer up our prayers. And that nothing may interrupt the course of thy blessing, I beseech thee to banish from my heart all that displeases thee: pardon me my sins, O my God, since I sincerely detest them for love of thee; purify my heart, sanctify my soul, bestow on me a blessing like that which thou didst grant to thy disciples at thy ascension into heaven; grant me a blessing that may change, consecrate, and unite me perfectly to thee, and may fill me with thy Spirit, and be to me in this life a foretaste of those blessings which thou reservest for thy elect in heaven. I beg in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

An Act of Spiritual Communica.

I believe in thee, O my Jesus, present in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar; I love thee above all things; and I desire to receive thee into my soul. Since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace thee and I unite myself to thee, as if thou wast already there. Oh, permit me not ever to be separated from thee.

Ementy Aspirations of Love to Iesus in the adorable Sacrament of the Alfar.

1. Go forth, ye daughters of Jerusalem, and see king Solomon in the diadem wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals (Cant. iii. 11).

O daughters of grace, souls that love God, come forth from the darkness of the world, and behold Jesus your king crowned with thorns, with the diadem of insult and of sorrow, with which his mother, the impious synagogue, crowned him on the day of his espousals, on the day of his death, by which he espoused himself on the cross to our souls; come forth again and behold him, full of all mercy and love, coming to unite himself to you in this Sacrament of his love.

My beloved Jesus, it has, then, cost thee so much to unite thyself to our souls in this most sweet Sacrament; thou hadst first to undergo so bitter and ignominious a death. Come, then, O Lord, hasten to unite thyself to my soul. It was once thy enemy by sin, but now thou wilt make it thy spouse by grace. Come, Jesus, my spouse; I resolve never more to betray thee, but to remain faithful to thee for ever; as a loving spouse, I desire only to think of and to please thee. I would love thee without reserve: I would be wholly thine.

2. A bundle of myrrh is my beloved to me; he shall abide between my breasts (Cant. i. 12).

The myrrh-plant, when it is bruised, sends forth tears and waters of health. To give us his blood for our sanctification, our Jesus wished to shed the last drop of it through his painful wounds. Come, then, beloved "bundle of myrrh," my dearest Jesus, who, when I see thee wounded and bleeding on the cross, art to me an object of sorrow and compassion. But, in receiving thee in this most divine Sacrament, thou art more pleasant to me than the choicest grapes to a man oppressed with thirst. "A cluster of cypress is my love to me in the

These may be used in visits to the blessed Sucrament, and abe before and after communion.

vineyards of Engaddi" (Cant. i. 13). Oh, what joy and sweetness do I feel in knowing that I am about to receive thee, my Saviour, who didst offer thyself in sacrifice on the cross for my salvation! "He shall abide between my breasts." Yee, my Jesus, thou shalt never again depart from me. I wish to love thee always, and to be for ever united to thee in the closest bonds. I will always belong to Jesus; Jesus shall be for ever mine,

3. While the king was at his repose, my spikenard sent forth the odbur thereof (Cant. i. 11).

When Jesus comes to dwell in a soul by holy communion, oh, how does she, by the light which this King of heaven brings with him, see and know her own vileness, and, like the spikenard, the most lowly of plants, confess that she is the basest of creatures! What sweet odour does she, when thus humbled, send forth to her beloved King, who invites her to unite herself more and more closely to him!

My soul, if thou desirest that Jesus should dwell within thee, see how low and wretched thou art; humble thyself by banishing all self-esteem, which makes Jesus depart from thee, and prevents him from coming to repose within thee. Come to me, my dear Redeemer, and, by thy divine light, make me to know my vileness, my misery, my nothingness; that so thou mayest rest with delight in my soul, and never more be separated from me.

4. Think of the Lord in goodness (Wis. i. 1).

My soul, why art thou so fearful at the sight of the infinite goodness and love of thy God? Why art thou distrustful? Now that thou dost receive Jesus Christ within thee, see that thou correspond to his love, confiding in the boundless goodness of thy God, who gives himself entirely to thee. His judgments truly are terrible, but only to the proud and obstinate. To the penitent and humble, who wish to love and please him, they are all mercy and love, because they spring from a heart full of compassion and love. Such are the judgments of God, that the royal Psalmist, in meditating our

them, was filled with hope and joy. 'In thy words I have hoped exceedingly. Thy judgments are delightful..... I remembered, O Lord, thy judgments of old, and was comforted" (Ps. exviii. 43, 52). Truly, this great God is too good and leving to them that seek him with love. "The Lord is good... to the soul that seeketh him" (Lam. iii. 25). Oh, how good is God to all who endeavour to conform their will to his divine will! "How good is God to them that are of a right heart" (Ps. lxxii. 1). My God, my love, my hope, my all, I desire thee, and I desire thee only, that I may love thee, please thee, and always do thy holy will. Grant that I may find thee, that I may please thee, and that I may never more abandon thee.

5. The voice of my beloved knocking: open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled (Cant. iii. 2).

Behold the voice of Jesus in the blessed Sacrament to those that love and desire him. Open to me, he says, O Christian soul, thy heart; I will enter there, and dwell with thee. Thou shalt become my sister by likeness to me; my love, by the communication of my graces; my dove, by the gift of simplicity; my undefiled, by the gift of purity which I shall bestow upon thee. The spouse adds: "For my head is full of dew, and my locks of the drops of the night" (Cant. v. 2). Consider, O my beloved, I have waited all the night of the life of sin, which thou hast spent in the midst of darkness and errors. Behold, instead of coming to chastise thee with scourges, I come with celestial dew, to extinguish in thee all impure affections, and to kindle within thee the divine fire of my love. Come, then, O my beloved Jesus, and work within me all that thou dost desire. I renounce all other affections, that I may be entirely thine, and that thou mayest make me altogether conformed to thy holy will.

6. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat the fruit of his apple-trees (Cant. v. 1).

This is the invitation of a devout soul to Jesus in the blessed Sacrament. Come, O my beloved, she says, into my heart, which was once unhappily not thine, but has now, through thy grace, returned to thee. "Come, and eat the fruit of thy apple-trees." Come, and taste in me the virtues which thou thyself dost bring with thee. Ah, Lord, for the honour of thy majesty, at least, purify my soul, adorn it, inflame it with thy love, make it beautiful in thine eyes, that so it may become a fit abode for thyself.

7. My beloved is white and ruddy, chosen out of thousands (Cant. v. 10).

Our beloved Jesus is all white by purity, and all ruddy by the flames of divine love. Immaculate Lamb, all on fire with love for me, when wilt thou make me like to thyself? When wilt thou make me as pure as thou art, O most chaste lily? When wilt thou inflame me with the love with which thou dost burn for me? O my God and my all, I renounce all love, and choose only thy most amiable love. Depart hence from me, all creatures; I wish only for my God: for him do I desire to reserve my whole heart and all its affections.

8. The goodness and kindness of God our Saviour appeared (Tit. iii. 4).

God, in becoming flesh, shewed to the world the extent of his goodness to mankind; but in the most holy Sacrament he displays the tenderness of his love for souls. "Does it not," says St. Augustin, "seem a folly to say, Eat my flesh and drink my blood?" as Jesus said on the night before his Passion: "Take, and eat; this is my body." To shew you the ardour of my love for you, I desire that you should eat my very flesh. O holy faith! Who but Jesus could have thought of instituting a means of giving us his body for the food of our souls! Some of his disciples, when they heard this, exclaimed, "This is a hard saying; who can hear it?" (John vi. 61.) They refused to believe the words of Jesus Christ, and "walked no more with him." But his words are of faith.

In return for all he has done for us, what more does Jesus Christ ask of us but to love him? Ah, my most loving Jesus, what dost thou not promise and give to

them that love thee? Thou dost promise them thy love:
"I love them that love me" (Prov. viii. 17). Thou
dost promise to receive them, though they have turned
their backs upon thee: "Turn to me, saith the Lord of
Hosts, and I will turn to you" (Zac. i. 3). Thou dost
promise to bring with thee the Father and the Holy
Gliost, and to dwell for ever in their souls: "He that
loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and we will come
to him, and make our abode with him" (John xiv. 21,
23). What more couldst thou promise or give to induce
men to love thee? Most loving Lord, I understand
thee: thou dost wish to be loved even by me. I love
thee with my whole heart; and if I do not love thee,
teach me to love thee. Make me love thee, and to love
thee supremely.

My beloved is gone down to his garden to feed in his garden, and to gather lilies (Cant. vi. 1).

Most sweet Saviour, Jezus, since thou dost descend from heaven to enter into my soul, make me, I beseech thee, by thy grace, to become thy garden, that thou mayest gather in my heart lilies and fruits pleasing in thine eyes. Forgive me wherein I have offended theereceive me now that I am sorry for my sins, and desire to return to thee: bestow upon me that purity which thou desirest, give me strength to do thy will, infuse into my soul a true love of thee, and then I shall be pleasing in thy sight. I sacrifice to thee all my inclinations; I desire henceforth only to please thee.

10. He is all lovely (Cant. v. 16).

To the souls that love him as their spouse, Jesus is "all lovely," whether he chastises or consoles them, whether he is near to or at a distance from them; because he does all from love and from a desire to be loved. Treat me, then, O my Jesus, as thou pleasest; I will love thee, whether thou dost send me consolations or afflictions. I know that all proceeds from thy loving heart, and that all shall be for my greater good. "My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready." My will is prepared to embrace all the arrangements of

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thy providence: "I will bless the Lord at all times." At all times, whether in prosperity or adversity, I wish to bless and love thee, O Lord my Creator. I, who have so often displeased by my sins, neither seek nor merit consolations from thee. I seek only thy pleasure; and if thou art satisfied, I will bear cheerfully every affliction. O my Jesus, whether far off or near, thou shalt be always lovely, always dear to me; whether thou dost comfort or afflict me, I will always love thee, I will always thank thee.

11. Who is this that cometh up from the desert, flowing with delights, leaning upon her beloved? (Cant. viii. 5.)

Ah, who are those souls who, though they live in this world, regard it as a desert, and, detached from visible things, live only to God, as if he alone existed? whom only they love and desire to please; and who, raising themselves above the earth, enjoy the delights imparted to those who seek God alone, and place in him all their

hopes?

Who are these happy souls? Are they not those who frequently unite themselves by pure love to Jesus in the most holy Sacrament? O my God, I desire to be, by thy grace, one of these blessed souls, to be detached from all things, and to be wholly thin Henceforth the world shall be to me as a desert, where I shall be disengaged from every creature, and think only of thee, as if there were none other than thyself and me. In thee alone will I place all my confidence; thou shalt be the centre of my affections; thou alone, O my God, my beloved, art my hope, my love, my all.

I found him whom my soul loveth; I held him, and I will not let him go (Cant. iii. 4).

Such should be the language of every soul united to Jesus in the most holy Sacrament. Creatures, depart from me: I loved you once because I was blind; but love you no longer, nor can I ever love you more. I have found one far more worthy of my love. I have within me my Jesus; he has enamoured my whole soul with his beauty; to this beloved one I have given my

whole being. He has accepted me as his; therefore I am no longer my own. Creatures, farewell; I am not, and never shall be yours. I belong, and shall for ever belong, to Jesus. "I held him, and I will not let him go." I will henceforth embrace him with my love, and will never more permit him to leave me.

13. Arise, O north wind; come, O south wind, blow through my garden, and let the aromatical spices thereof flow (Cant. iv. 16).

Fly from me, O cold and noxious wind of earthly affections, and come, O sweet and warm breeze of holy love from the heart of Jesus in the holy Sacrament. Do thou alone blow through my whole soul, which Jesus has chosen for his garden of delights. Blow, and new and sweet odours of virtue shall flow from me. My Jesus, thou canst infuse this holy gift into my soul; from thee I hope for it, of thee I beg it.

14. I have gathered my myrrh, with my aromatical spices (Cant. v. 1).

The soul that has received Jesus in the holy Sacrament should be careful to gather myrrh, that she may be able to send forth the odours of those virtues which spring from mortification. "I have eaten the honeycomb with my honey." The soul that loves God alone is not content with the honeycomb without the honey. Hence she says to Jesus: Lord, thy consolations are not sufficient without thyself, who art the source of consolation; the fruits of love are not enough for me without thyself, who art the object of all my love. My Jesus, thou art sufficient for me. I am ready to renounce all consolations, provided I possess thee alone, my God, and my only good. I love thee, not to please myself, but to please thee, who dost wish to be loved by me, and dost merit all the love of all souls, whether in joy or in sorrow.

15. Behold, I have graven thee in my hands; thy walls are always before my eyes (Is. xlix. 16).

Behold the sweet and loving care of God for the souls

whom he loves! That he may not forget them, he carries them graven in his very hands, and declares that a mother will sooner forget her child than he will forget a soul in the state of grace. "Can a woman forget her infant? And if she should forget, yet will not I forget thee" (Is. xlix. 15). "Thy walls are always before my eyes." His eyes are ever watching over the souls that love him, to defend them against all the assmalts of the enemy. "Thou hast crowned us with the shield of thy good will" (Ps. v. 13.) Our good God surrounds us with the shield of his good will, and delivers us from all dangers. O my God, O infinite goodness, who does love me above all others, and desire my welfare. I give myself up entirely to thee. If thou art with me, all else may fail me. Behold me, O my dear Lord, ready and resolved to do whatever thou willest. I desire only what pleases thee. But help me, O Lord, or I shall do no good: teach me not only to know, but to do all that thou dost wish me to do, Grant, O eternal Father, that I may be able truly to say what thy beloved Son said when on earth: "I do always the things that please him' (John viii. 29). This grace, O my God, I desire, I ask and hope for, through the merits of thy Son, and of most holy Mary.

16. What is there that I ought to do more for my vineyard that I have not done to it? (Is. v. 4.)

My soul, hear what your God says to you. What enght I to do more for you that I have not done? For your sake I became man. I, the eternal Word, was made flesh: I, the Lord of all things, took "the form of a servant." Like a worm, I was born in a stable; "I was as a worm and no man." I even died for you, and died on an infamous gibbet: "I was made obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." What more could I do for you? "Greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John xv. 13). But my love has done still more. I not only died for you, but I have also instituted the holy Sacrament of the Altar, that I might give myself entirely to you for your spiritual food, and that I might ever abide among

you. Tell me, what more ought I to do to gain your love?

My Lord and my Redeemer, thou hast just reason to upbraid me, and I know not what to answer. Thou hast been infinitely good to me, and I have been infinitely ungrateful to thee. I admire thy infinite goodness; I behold my own ingratitude, and I prostrate myself at thy feet, saying, My Jesus, have pity on me, have pity on me, who have repaid thy love with so much ingratitude. Take vengeance on me; punish me, but not by abandoning me; rather do thou chastise and convert me. Permit me not to live any longer ungrateful to thee; grant that, through gratitude at least, I may love thee, and that before I die I may make some small return for thy love.

17. Put me as a seat upon thy heart (Cant. viii. 6).

Yes, beloved Jesus, I have consecrated my whole soul to thee, and it is but just that I place thee as a seal of love upon my heart, to close it against all other love, and to proclaim to all that my heart is thine, and that thou alone hast the rule over it. But, O my Lord, what canst thou expect from me without the help of thy grace? I can but give thee my poor heart, to be disposed of as thou pleasest. Behold, Lord, I give it to thee without reserve; I consecrate it and sacrifice it wholly to thy love. I beseech thee, leave not my heart any longer in my own hands; for if thou do, I fear I shall only rob thee of it again. O most loving God, O infinite love, since thou hast so many claims to my love, make me, I entreat thee, to love thee. I desire to love thee only in order that I may please thee. Thou who dost work so many wonders in order to come into my heart in this divine Sacrament, perform yet one miracle more: make me wholly thine, without reserve or division, so that I may say in life, in death, and for eternity, that thou art the sole Lord of my heart, and my only riches. "Thou art the God of my heart, and my portion for ever" (Ps. lxxii. 26). Most holy Mary, my mother and my hope, assist me, and I shall certainly be heard. Amen

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18. How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts; my soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord (Ps. 1xxxiii. 2).

O my God, the palaces of the great and noble are considered by men of this world as the happiest and most desirable abodes; but for me, I can find no satisfying place of rest but in the sacred tabernacles where thou abidest. There I would fain remain all the days of my life; and when at a distance from thy sacred courts, I feel as in a strange land; my soul pants for thy sacred presence, and I exclaim with David, "Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord; they shall praise thee for ever and ever." O my God, when such happiness is to be found in thy presence, why should men so often leave thee alone and neglected, while the palaces of earthly kings are crowded with attendants? Alas, they know not the blessedness of possessing thee, nor the happiness which they lose by not approaching thee. As for me, I resolve, O my Jesus, henceforth to visit thee as often as possible in thy earthly temples, in which thou vouchsafest to dwell: I will come to adore thee, to praise thee, to lament my sins before thee, to seek light and comfort in all my difficulties and distresses, until the day arrives when I shall behold thee in thy heavenly temple unveiled, and when thou shalt receive me to thy love for ever.

19. In that day there shall be a fountain open to the house of David, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for the washing of the sinner (Zach. xiii. 1).

Jesus in the holy Sacrament is the fountain foretold by the prophet, which is open to all, and in which we can, whenever we wish, wash our souls from the stains of our daily sins. When a fault is committed, what more efficacious remedy can there be than to have immediate recourse to the holy Sacrament? My Jesus, I purpose always to avail myself of this remedy; for I know that the waters of this fountain not only cleanse my soul, but also give me light and strength to avoid sin, and to suffer with joy all crosses, and, at the same

time, inflame my heart with thy love. I know that for these ends thou dost expect me to visit thee, and dost reward with so many graces the visits of thy lovers. My Jesus, wash me from all the faults which I have this day committed; I am sorry for them, because they have displeased thee; give me strength to avoid them for the future, and to love thee ardently.

O my only and infinite good, I see that thou hast instituted this Sacrament, and that thou remainest on this altar to be loved by me. For this end thou hast given me a heart capable of loving thee. Why, then, am I so ungrateful as not to love thee, or to love thee so little? The love which thou dost bear me merits far greater love from me. Thou art an infinite God—I am a miserable worm. It would be very little for me to die, to be consumed for thee who hast died for my sake, and who dost offer thyself in sacrifice every day for the love of me. Thou dost deserve infinite love. I desire to love thee with my whole heart. Assist me, O my Jesus; help me to love thee, and to do all thou dost require of me.

20. While we are in the body, we are absent from the Lord (2 Cor. v. 6).

Souls who in this life love nothing but God, are like noble pilgrims, destined to be the eternal bride of the King of heaven; but while they now live far away without seeing him, they sigh to depart to the country of the blessed, where they know that their Spouse awaits them. They know, indeed, that their Beloved is ever present with them in the blessed Sacrament of the Altar, but he is, as it were, hidden by a veil, and does not shew himself. Or, rather, he is like the sun behind clouds, sending forth, from time to time, some ray of his splendour, but yet not displaying himself openly. These holy souls live, nevertheless, contented, uniting themselves to the will of the Lord, who chooses to keep them in exile, and far away from himself; but, with all this, they cannot but continually sigh to know him face to face, in order to be more inflamed with love towards him.

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When to these souls, thus filled with love for God, there appears any ray of the divine goodness, and of the love which God bears them, they would be dissolved and fade away for desire of him; and though for them the sun is still hidden behind the clouds, and his fair face is covered by a veil, and their own eyes are bandaged, so that they cannot gaze on him face to face; yet what shall be their joy when the clouds shall disperse, and the gate open, and the covering shall be taken from their eyes, and the fair countenance of their Beloved shall appear without a veil, so that in the clear light of day they shall look upon his beauty, his goodness, his great-

ness, and the love which he bears to them!

O death, why dost thou so delay to come? If thou comest not, I cannot depart to behold my God. It is thou who must open to me the gate, that I may enter into the palace of my Lord. O blessed country, when will the day be here when I shall find myself beneath thy eternal tabernacles! O beloved of my soul, my Jesus, my treasure, my love, my all, when shall come that happy moment, when, leaving this earth, I shall see myself all united to thee! I deserve not this happiness; but the love which thou hast shewn me, and still more thy infinite goodness, make me hope that I shall be one day joined to those happy souls, who, being wholly united to thee, love thee, and will love thee with a perfect love through all eternity. O my Jesus, thou seest the alternative in which I am placed, of being either ever united to thee, or ever far from thee: have mercy upon me; thy blood is my hope; and thy interression, O my mother Mary, is my comfort and my joy.

Prayer for our Country.

O Lord Jesus Christ, infinite goodness, who by the divine Sacrament of thy Body and Blood dost refresh, comfort, and nourish thy Church, and daily offerest thyself a sacrifice of praise and propitiation to the eternal Pather; look graciously upon our beloved country, shut cut from the sweet delights of this banquet; mercifully pardon all that hath been done or said, through impiety or ignorance, against these most holy mysteries in this

land; inspire the minds of all men with faith and reverence for them, that they may become thy children, and be as olive-plants round about thy table. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

Final Prayer.

Voucnsafe, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, to pour down upon me thy most holy benediction, that I may be enabled always to love thee, and seek to accomplish thy divine will in all things; and grant, O bread of angels, that I may deserve to receive thee during life, to be comforted by thee in death, and to enjoy thee eternally in thy heavenly kingdom. Amen.

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Hail, Salvation of the world, Word of the Father, holy Host, true Life, living Flesh, perfect Deity, true Man, Body of our Lord Jesus Christ; thou who didst form me from the dust of the earth, have mercy upon me a sinner. Amen.

Hail, most merciful Jesus, Son of God and of the Virgin Mary, who didst so love me as to be pleased to die for me, and to give thyself to me as my support, my sacrifice, and my reward; be thou, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, blessed by all and above all for ever.

I grieve for all my sins purely because they have displeased thee, and I resign myself to thee, and annihilate myself before thee. Supply, O merciful Jesus, for all the imperfections of us thy people, for whom thou didst deign to die, through the merits of the most blessed Virgin Mary and of all the Saints, which I offer thee in union with thine own most sacred merits, to be represented before the eternal Father. O holy Father, look upon the face of thy Christ, and grant us the grace to know thee, to love thee, and to praise thee, together with thy beloved Son and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All my holy patrons, and thou first, O most blessed

Mother of God, praise the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name for ever. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, true God and man, I humbly adore and invoke thee, now present in the verity of thy flesh and blood, thy body and soul. Would that I could truly contemplate and know thee, that I could love, praise, and glorify thee, even as do the thousands of holy angels who contemplate thee with the highest joy, who know thee, love, praise, and glorify thee perfectly without weariness or interruption. All creatures justly celebrate with praise and thanksgiving that ardent love of thine by which thou didst offer thy innocent and precious body upon the altar of the cross, and didst so lovingly, so graciously, so affectionately leave us in this holy Sacrament the same body, living and immortal, as a remembrance of thy departure, and as a pledge of thine infinite love.

Thou, therefore, O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us, and give us peace; and so refresh our souls continually with this spiritual food, that we may never, in life or death, be separated from thee and from thine infinite mercy. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

O infinite Wisdom, which cannot be deceived; O immense Goodness, which cannot deceive; great and eternal Truth, my Lord and God, I believe in thee, and I believe thee in all which thou hast revealed, and which thou proposest to me to be believed through thy holy spouse the Church; and for this holy faith I am ready, by thy grace, to die. I hope in thee, O our eternal Beatitude, and through thy infinite mercy and most precious merits, I trust that thou wilt grant me the pardon, grace, and glory which thou hast promised, with all the necessary means for attaining them; and I acknowledge and profess that I depend wholly upon thee, that I can do nothing without thee, but that through thee I can do althings. I love, and will love thee, and all things that thou lovest, O infinite fountain of all good, because thou art good in thyself, and infinitely to be loved. I rejoice

in thy infinite perfection, beatitude, and loveliness; and in all the homage, praise, honour, and glory which has been, is, or can be rendered to thee by thy elect and by all creatures. All these I offer to thee, along with every service and affection of my heart and my life itself.

I firmly embrace thee and thy blessed will in all things with the arms of love and resignation; I venerate thee with every possible feeling of reverence, affection, and gratitude; and I desire to embrace love, and venerate thee for ever, if thou wilt mercifully grant that I may not be separated from thy grace and love here, or fail in attaining thy happy vision hereafter.

I believe in thee, O supreme truth.
I revere thee, O infinite majesty.
I adore thee, O tremendous power.
I bless thee, O most liberal benignity.
I hope in thee, O eternal felicity.
I love thee, O incomprehensible goodness.

I glorify thee, O most holy godhead.

I grieve from my inmost heart that I have ever offended thee!

To Jesus in the Sacrament.

Behold, O most loving Jesus, to what an excess thy love has gone! Of thy own flesh and most precious blood thou hast prepared for me a divine banquet, in which thou givest me thy whole self. What could have moved thee to this transport of love? Nothing else, surely, than thy most loving heart. O adorable heart of my Jesus, furnace of divine love, receive into thy sacred wound my soul, that I may learn in that school of charity how to love my God, who has given me such wonderful proofs of his love. So be it.

Adoration to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

1. I adore thee profoundly in thy Sacrament, O my Jesus; I acknowledge thee there as true God and true man; and I intend by this act of adoration to make amends for the coldness of so many Christians, who pass before

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thy churches, nay, sometimes before thy tabernacle, where thou deignest to dwell at all hours in a loving impatience to communicate thyself to thy faithful, and yet never so much as salute thee, and by their indifference shew themselves to be like the Jews in the desert, sick of this heavenly manna; and I offer thee the most precious Blood which thou didst shed from the wound of thy left foot in reparation for such hateful coldness, within which wound I repeat a thousand and a thousand times—

Blessed and praised every moment,

Be the most holy and most divine Sacrament!

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory.

2. I adore thee profoundly, O my Jesus; I acknowledge thee present in the most holy Sacrament; and I
intend by this act of adoration to make amends for the
ingratitude of so many Christians, who see thee carried
to the poor sick, to be their comfort in the great journey
of eternity, and yet leave thee without escort, and scarcely
deign to make an act of outward adoration to thee; and
I offer thee in reparation for such coldness the most
precious Blood which thou didst shed from the wound
of thy right foot, within which I repeat a thousand and
a thousand times—

Blessed and praised every moment,

Be the most holy and most divine Sacrament

Our Father. Hail Mary, Glory.

3. I adore thee profoundly, O my Jesus, true Bread of eternal life; and I intend by this adoration to make compensation to thee for the many wounds which thy sacred Heart daily suffers in the profanation of churches, where thou condescendest to dwell under the sacramental species, to receive the love and adoration of thy faithful; and I offer thee in reparation for all these irreverences the most precious Blood which thou didst shed from the wound of thy left hand, within which I repeat again and again—

Blessed and praised every moment,

Be the most holy and most divine Sacrament!

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory.

4. I adore thee profoundly, O my Jesus, living Bread rome down from heaven; and by this act of adoration I

intend to make amends for the many irreverences which are daily committed by thy people when assisting at the holy Mass, in which, through excess of love, thou renewest the same sacrifice, though bloodless, which thou hadst already accomplished on Calvary for our salvation; and I offer thee in reparation for such great ingratitude the most precious Blood which thou didst shed from the wound of thy right hand, within which I unite my voice to those of the angels, who gather devoutly round thee, and say with them-

Blessed and praised every moment,

Be the most holy and most divine Sacrament!

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory.

5. I adore thee profoundly, O my Jesus, true Victim of expiation for our sins, and I offer thee this act of adoration in compensation for the sacrilegious outrages which thou receivest from so many ungrateful Christians, who dare to approach and receive thee in the Communion with mortal sin upon their souls. In reparation for such abominable sacrileges, I offer thee the last drops of thy most precious Blood which thou didst shed from the wound of thy side, within which I come to adore thee, to bless thee, and to love thee, and to repeat with all the souls devoted to the most holy Sacrament-

Blessed and praised every moment,

Be the most holy and most divine Sacrament!

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory. Tantum ergo sacramentum, &c. Panem, &c.

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The Crown or Chaplet of the Blessed Sacrament.

▼. Deus, in adjutorium. Gloria Patri.

The Chaplet consists of thirty-three aspirations, which may be used during the hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. After each aspiration may be added a Pater noster, and at the end of each decade a Gloria Patri.

First Decade. - Acts of Faith, Hope, and Charity.

I. I believe, O my Jesus, thy divine word, that under this appearance of bread thou thyself art here present as thou art in heaven. Pater noster.

II. I believe that thou art the divine Son, eternally equal to the Father, that by the operation of the Holy Ghost thou didst take human flesh of the Blessed Virgin.

Pater.

III. I believe that thou art the same Jesus who wast born of Mary ever Virgin, adored an Infant by thy an-

gels, by the shepherds and the magi. Pater.

IV. I believe, O my Redeemer, here present in Sacrament, that thou art the same Jesus of Nazareth who didst heal the sick, and didst raise the dead, who for us didst suffer and die upon the Cross. Pater.

V. I believe, finally, that thou thyself, now sitting glorious at the right hand of thy Father in heaven, and there interceding for me, yet art verily present in this Sacrament, my nourishment on earth. Pater.

VI. O most loving Jesus, who in this Sacrament hast left me a pledge of future glory, I hope, through the merits of thy death and passion, to behold thee face to face in heaven. Pater.

VII. O Jesus, cause of our glorious resurrection, I hope, through the virtue of this divine food, wherewith thou nourishest me, to rise glorious into life eternal. Pater.

VIII. I love thee, O Jesus, who art perfect charity, who, in thy essence, art true God and true man, in whom are contained the treasures of the divinity, and all the

fulness of grace which descends to us upon this earth.

Pater.

IX. I love thee, dear Jesus, who, for love of me, hast made thyself like unto me; kindle within me the flame of sacred love which thou didst bring from heaven, that, loving thee, I may grow into thy likeness. Pater.

X. I love thee, O divine Jesus, my Lord and Master,

X. I love thee, O divine Jesus, my Lord and Master, because thou hast redeemed and freed me, poor slave of since, with the all-precious blood. Oh, of the sweet mercy, grant that I may enjoy the full fruit of the redemption. Gloria Patri.

Second Decade .- Acts of Adoration.

I. I adore thee, O living bread, descended from heaven for my spiritual food; give me grace worthily to receive thee in life and in death. Pater.

II. I adore thee, divine food of the strong; strengthen my weakness, that I may ever be constant and faithful

to thy love. Pater.

III. I adore thee, O my Jesus, hidden beneath the sacramental veil; let my life be hidden, through thee, in God. Pater.

IV. I adore thee, great God, who art the only way; make me ever to walk in the path of thy precepts, and after thy shining example, that so I may arrive at eternal salvation. Pater.

V. I adore thee, O Jesus, true and spiritual life of all who love thee, give me grace to die to myself, and to live to thee alone, who didst die for the love of me. Pater.

VI. I adore thee, my dear Redeemer, truth ineffable; enliven, I beseech thee, and increase my faith, that it may be fruitful in good works. Pater.

VII. I adore thee, O Jesus, divine light of the world; illuminate my mind, that, knowing, I may love thee, and may come to enjoy thee eternally in heaven. Pater.

VIII. I adore thee, divine and loving Shepherd; draw to thyself this wounded sheep, that it may never more leave thy fold, to fall into the hands of the infernal wolf. Pater.

IX. I adore thee, divine Lamb, who, for the sins of the world, didst give thyself to be slain; grant that I

may bear all my sufferings patiently for thy sake, in

satisfaction for my sins. Pater.

X. I adore thee, O Jesus, King of glory, Judge of the living and the dead: make me on earth so to fear thy justice, that in heaven I may eternally sing thy mercy. Gloria Potri.

Third Decade. - Acts of Thanksgiving.

- I. I thank thee, O divine Redeemer, that, not content with having for our sakes come upon the earth, thou hast instituted this adorable Sacrament, that therein thou mightst remain with us unto the consummation of the world. Pater.
- II. I thank thee, O glorious Jesus, that thou dost veil, beneath the eucharistic species, thy infinite majesty and beauty, which thy angels delight to behold, that so I might have courage to approach the throne of thy mercy. Pater.
- III. I thank thee, O Jesus most loving, that, having made thyself my food, thou descendest upon this tongue, which so often has offended thee, and dost enter within this body, which, alas, has too often deserved to be visited with thy anger. Pater.

IV. I thank thee, my dear Saviour, that in this ineffable Sacrament thou unitest me to thee with so much love, that I therein live in thee, and thou in me. Pater.

V. I thank thee, O my Jesus, that, giving thyself to me in this blessed Sacrament, thou hast so enriched it with the treasures of thy love, that thou hast not, thou canst not, thou knowest not, what greater gift to give me. Pater.

VI. I thank thee, O my good Jesus, that not only thou art become my food, but also in this blessed Sacrament offerest thyself a continual sacrifice for my salvation, to

thy eternal Father. Pater.

VII. I thank thee, divine Priest, for that every day thou dost sacrifice thyself upon our altars, in adoration and homage to the most Blessed Trinity, and dost supply for our poor and miserable adorations. Pater.

VIII. I thank thee, O my Saviour, because, renewing in this daily sacrifice the very sacrifice of the cross offered

on Calvary, thou dost satisfy the divine justice for us miserable sinners. Pater.

IX. I thank thee, dear Jesus, that thou hast become the priceless Victim, to merit for me the fulness of celestial favours. Awaken in me such trust that their abundance may ever more and more descend upon my soul. Pater.

X. I thank thee, my loving Saviour, that thou art immolated in thanksgiving to God for all his benefits, spiritual and temporal, which he has bestowed upon me, and which I yet hope to receive. Gioria Patri.

Three final Aspirations.

I. Jesus, invisible and divine Head of thy spouse the Church, who, with thy blood, hast purified her from all stain, have mercy upon her visible head, N., upon all bishops and pastors (especially N. our own Bishop), and shed upon them thy holy Spirit, wherewith thy apostles and disciples were filled, that they may maintain thy holy faith pure and untouched, and may spread over the whole world the light of thy Gospel and of thy Catholic truth. Pater.

II. O Jesus, King of kings, Lord of governors, by whom monarchs do reign, and from whom all earthly power comes, mercifully behold our princes, and those in authority; infuse into them the spirit of thy divine wisdom, clemency, and justice, so that they may be great with thee rather than on earth, and may enter with thee

into thy heavenly kingdom. Pater.

III. O Jesus, all merciful, who didst not will the death of a sinner, but that he should be converted, and rise to a spiritual life; triumph, I beseech thee, over the malice and hardness of all who obstinately offend thee, so that, acquiring thy grace in this world, they may become worthy of the glory of thy heavenly Paradise for all eternity. Gloria Patri.

Litanies.

THE following Litanies may be used as occasion serves, either by themselves or in connection with other parts of this book. They have been selected with the view of supplying a series of devotions adapted to the festivals and holy seasons of the Church, and are capable of being varied as piety may suggest.

The subjoined Table shews the particular devotion by which it is a common practice to consecrate each day of the week:

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Sunday . . . . To the Holy Trinity.

Monday . . . , the Holy Ghost.

Tuesday . . , the Holy Angels.

Wednesday . . , St. Joseph.

Thursday . , , the B. Sacrament.

Friday . , , the Passion of our Lord.

Saturday . , the Blessed Virgin.
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But, besides appropriating certain Litanies to the days of the week usually recommended for their use, it would be a profitable exercise, both for individuals and for families, to dedicate a week to Jesus and Mary, in the following way:

Sunday		Litanies	of the	Holy Name of Jesus and of Loretto.
Monday	•	"	,,	Incarnate Word and the Immaculate Con- ception.
Tuesday		"	,,	Infant Jesus and of Loretto.
Wednesday		,,	,,	Holy Name of Jesus, and ditto of Mary.
Thursday		,,	**	Life of Jesus, and ditto of Mary.
Friday		. ,,	**	Passion and of the Seven Dolours.
Saturday				Sacred Heart of Jesus, and ditto of Mary,

Particular feasts will naturally suggest their corresponding devotions,—e.g. the several festivals of our Lord and his Blessed Mother, the Holy Angels, St. Joseph, &c.; and no further guidance will be needed than that which is afforded by any Catholic Directory. But, for the readier fulfilment of the plan proposed, the following Table is prefixed, which gives the Litanies proper to each season in their order.

Table of Effanies throughout the Year.

Advent .	•			any o	the Incarnate Word, and ditto
Christmas			. Lit	any o	the Infant Jesus.
Epiphany				any of	the Infant Jesus, and the Life
Septuagesim	з.		Li	any o	f the Life of Jesus; and on Fri- that of the Passion.
Lent .			· {Lit	any of	Penance; and on Wednesdays idays, that of the Passion.
Passion and	Hole	Week	ks Lit	any of	the Passion.
Maunday Th	ured	αu			the Blessed Sacrament.
Good Friday		٠.			the Passion and of the Holy Cross.
Easter .		•	• •		the Resurrection.
Ascension D Sunday	ay to	Wh	i'-} ,	, ,,	Jesus glorified.
Whitsuntide.		•	. ,	. ,,	the Holy Ghost.
Trinity Sundays after			κn-}	, ,,	the Most Holy Trinky.
Corpus Chris	ti.		. ,	, ,,	the Blessed Sacrament.

Devotion will contrive numerous combinations, by which the peculiar character of each day or season may be duly observed, and the several aspects of the Divine Mysteries receive their proper measure of attention and contemplation.

The Litany of the Saints, as also the Litany for England, may very suitably be used on the festivals of those eminent Saints whose names are especially commemorated in them.

Litanies, again, form appropriate devotions for particular Novemas, and for consecrating the several months of the year

¹ A Necesse is a devetion of wine days, in honour of some mystery of our redemption, to obtain a particular request, or in honour of the B. V. Mary, or some of the Saints, to beg their intercession in obtaining it. It may be performed with any forms of prayer.

to some special object. To this end the following Table is given, shewing—

THE TIMES OF NOVENAS AND OTHER DEVOTIONS,
which may be performed at discretion.

REGINS.	RNDS.	NOVENAS, AND OTHER DEVOTIONS.
January .		Month of Devotion to the Holy Infancy.
Jan. 24	Feb. 1	Novena of the Purification of B. V. Mary.
Nine days		
	Epiphany .	,, ,, Holy Name of Jesus.
	Feb. 9	,, ,, Most Holy Trinity.
March		Month of Devotion to St. Joseph.
March 4 .	March 12 .	Novena of St. Francis Xavier.
,, 8 . ,, 10 .	,, 16.	
,, 10 .		,, St. Joseph.
, 16	,, 24	,, the Annunciation of B. V. Mary.
I nirteen Fri	days before	Devetion to St. Francis of Paula.
April 2 .	Aneli og	
May	April 22 .	Novena of St. George. Month of Devotion to B. V. Mary.
Nine days b	efore Whit.	
sunday .	}	Nevena of the Holy Ghost.
	,	Month of Devotion to the Precious Blood
June		of our Lord.
Nine days	before the)	Name of the G. Warnet of Yames
Feast of th	e S. Heart	Novena of the S. Heart of Jesus.
Six Sundays		Devotion to St. Aloysius Genzaga.
June 20		Novena of SS. Peter and Paul.
,, 21	,, 30 .	,, St. Aloysius Gonzaga.
, 17	,, 25 .	,, St. Anne.
July 16	July 24 .	,, B. V. Mary of Mount Carmel.
August .	`	Month of Devotion to the S. Heart of Mary.
Aug. 6	Aug. 14 .	Novena of the Assumption of B. V. Mary.
,, 15 ., 30	,, 24 .	Ditto.
10-400	Sept. 7 .	Novena of the Nativity of B. V. Mary.
Sept. 20 .	Oct. 3	,, St. Michael and Angel Guardians, ,, St. Prancis of Assisium.
October		Month of Devotion to the Holy Angels.
Oct. 7	Oct. 15	Novena of St. Teresa.
24	Nov. 1	,, for the Souls in Purgatory.
November		Month of Devotion for ditto.
Nov. 29 .	Dec. 7	Novena of the Conception of B. V. Mary.
Dec. 16 . 1	,, 24	", ", Nativity of our Lord.
		

Many of these Novenas have Indulgences attached to them.

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Litamy of the Saints.

Ne reminiscaris, Domine, delicta nostra, vel parentum our offences, nor those of our nostrorum; neque vindio- fathers; neither take thou tam sumas de peccatis nos- vengeance of our sins. tris.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Christe eleison. Kvrie eleison. Kurie cleison. Christe audi nos. Christe exaudi nos.

Pater de cœlis Deus,

Fili Redemptor mundi Deus, Spiritus Sancte Deus, Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus, Sancta Maria, Sancta Dei Genitrix, Sancta Virgo virginum, Sancte Michael, Sancte Gabriel. Sancte Raphael, Omnes sancti Angeli Archangeli, Orate, &c. Omnes sancti beatorum Spirituum ordines, Orate, &c.. Sancte Joannes Baptista,

Ora, &c.

Remember not, O Lord

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Holy Mother of God, Holy Virgin of virgins, St. Michael, St. Gabriel. St. Raphael, All ye holy Angels and Archangels, All ye holy orders blessed Spirits, St. John Baptist,

Sancte Joseph, Ora, &c. Omnes sancti Patriarchæ et Prophetæ, Orate, &c. Sancte Petre. Sancte Paule. Sancte Andrea, Sancte Jacobe, Sancte Joannes, Sancte Thoma, Sancte Jacobe, Sancte Philippe, Sancte Bartholomæe. Sancte Matthæe. Sancte Simon, Sancte Thaddæe. Sancte Matthia, Sancte Barnaba.

Sancte Luca,
Sancte Marce,
Ömnes sancti Apostoli et
Evangelistæ, Orate, &c.
Omnes sancti Discipuli Domini, Orate, &c.

Omnes sancti Innocentes, Orate, &c.

Sancte Stephane, Ora, &c. Sancte Laurenti, Ora, &c. Sancte Vincenti, Ora, &c. Sancti Fabiane et Sebas-

tiane,
Sancti Joannes et Paule,
Sancti Cosma et Damiane,
Sancti Gervasi et Protasi,
Omnes sancti Martyres,
Sancte Sylvester,
Sancte Gregori,
Sancte Ambrosi,
Sancte Augustine,
Sancte Hieronyme,
Sancte Martine,
Sancte Nicolae,

St. Joseph,
All ye holy Patriarchs
and Prophets,
St. Potor

St. Peter, St. Paul, St. Andrew, St. James

St. James, St. John, St. Thomas,

St. James, St. Philip, St. Bartholomew,

St. Matthew, St. Simon, St. Thaddeus, St. Matthias,

St. Matthias, St. Barnabas, St. Luke,

St. Mark,

All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,
All ye holy Disciples of

our Lord,
All ye holy Innocents,

St. Stephen, St. Lawrence, St. Vincent,

SS. Fabian and Sebas-

SS. John and Paul, SS. Cosmas and Damian, SS. Gervase and Protase, All ye holy Martyrs,

St. Sylvester, St. Gregory, St. Ambrose,

St. Augustine, St. Jerome,

St. Martin,

St. Nicholas,

Omnes sancti Pontifices et All ye holy Bishops and Confessores, Orate, &c. Confessors. Omnes sancti Doctores, All ye holy Doctors, Orate, &c. Sancte Antoni, St. Anthony. Sancte Benedicte. St. Benedict. Sancte Bernarde. St. Dominic,
St. Francis,
All ye holy Priests and
Tevites,
Monks and St. Bernard, Sancte Dominice. Sancte Francisce. Omnes sancti Sacerdotes et Levitæ, Orate, &c. Omnes sancti Monachi et All ye holy Monks and Eremitæ, Orate, &c. Sancta Maria Magdalena, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Agatha, Sancta Agatha, Sancta Lucia. St. Lucy, Sancta Agnes, St. Agnes, Sancta Cæcilia, St. Cicily, Sancta Catharina, St. Catherine. Sancta Anastasia, St. Anastasia, Omnes sanctæ Virgines et All ye holy Virgins and Viduæ, Orate, &c. Widows. Omnes Sancti et Sanctæ All ye holy men and wo-Dei, men, Saints of God, Intercedite pro nobis. Make intercession for us. Propitius esto. Be merciful. Spare us, O Lord. Parce nobis, Domine. Propitius esto, Be merciful. Exaudi nos, Domine. Graciously hear us, O Lord. Ab omni malo, From all evil. From all sin,
From thy wra
From sudder
looked-for Ab omni peccato, Ab ira tua,* From thy wrath,* A subitanea et improvisa From sudden and un looked-for death, morte,

· Here, for the Devotion of the Forty Hours, is inserted:

Ab imminentibus periculis,

A peste, fame, et bello,

From all dangers that threaten us,

From plague, famine, and

war, Google

Ab insidiis diaboli,

Ab ira, et odio, et omni mala voluntate, A spiritu fornicationis,

A fulgure et tempestate,

A morte perpetua, Per mysterium sanctæ Incarnationis tuæ, Per Adventum tuum, Per Nativitatem tuam, Per Baptismum et sanctum Jejunium tuum, Per Crucem et Passionem tuam, Per Mortem et Sepulturam tuam, Per sanctam Resurrectionem tuam, Per admirabilem Ascensionem tuam, Per adventum Spiritus

In die judicii, Peccatores, Te rogamus aud**i nos.** Ut nobis parcas,

Sancti Paracliti.

Ut nobis indulgeas,

Ut ad veram poenitentiam nos perducere digneris,

Ut Ecclesiam tuam sanctam regere et conservare digneris,

Ut Domnum Apostolicum, et omnes eccleFrom the snares of the devil,

From anger, and hatred. and every evil will, From the spirit of forni-

cation,

From lightning and tempest, From everlasting death,

Through the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, Through thy Coming,

Through thy Nativity, Through thy Baptism and holy Fasting,

Through thy Cross and Passion,

Through thy Death and Burial, Through thy holy Resur-

rection, Through thine admirable Ascension,

Through the coming of the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,

In the day of judgment, We sinners.

Beseech thee hear us. That thou wouldst spare

That thou wouldst pardon us,

That thou wouldst bring us to true penance,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to govern and preserve thy holy Church, That thou wouldst vouch-

to preserve

siasticos ordines in sancta religione conservare digneris,

Ut inimicos sanctæ Ecclesiæ humiliare digneris,*

Ut regibus et principibus Christianis pacem et veram concordiam donare digneris,

Ut cuncto populo Christiano pacem et unitatem largiri digneris,

Ut nosmetipsos in tuo sancto servitio confortare et conservare digneris,

Ut mentes nostras ad cœlestia desideria eri-

Ut omnibus benefactoribus nostris sempiterna bona retribuas.

Ut animas nostras, fratrum, propinquorum, et benefactorum nostrorumabæterna damnatione eripias,

Ut fructus terræ dare et conserva e digneris,

Ut omnibus fidelibus de-

Apostolic Prelate, and all orders of the Church in holy religion,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to humble the enemies of holy Church,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to give peace and true concord to Christian kings and princes, That thou wouldst youch-

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant peace and unity to all Christian people,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to confirm and preserve us in thy holy service.

That thou wouldst lift up our minds to heavenly

desires,

That thou wouldst render eternal blessings to all our benefactors.

That thou wouldst deliver our souls, and the souls of our brethren, relations, and benefactors, from eternal damnation,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to give and preserve the fruits of the earth,

That thou wouldst vouch-

• For the Devotion of the Forty Hours, insert:

Ut Turcarum, et hæreticorum conatus reprimere et ad nihilum redigere digneris. That thou wouldst vouchsafe to defeat the attempts of all Turks and heretics, and bring them to nought.

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functis requiem æternam donare digneris,

Ut nos exaudire digneris,

Fili Dei,

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

Parce nobis, Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Exaudi nos, Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Miserere nobis. Christe audi nos. Christe exaudi nos.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster (secreto).

W. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.

Ry. Sed libera nos a malo.

rest to all the faithful departed,
That thou wouldst wouchsafe graciously to hear

us, Son of God, Lamb of God, who takest

away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest

away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Our Father (secretly).

V. And lead us not into

temptation.
R. But deliver us from

Psalm lxix. Deus in adjutorium.

evil.

Deus in adjutorium meum intende: Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.

Confundantur et revereantur: qui quærunt animam

meam:

Avertantur retrorsum, et erubescant: qui volunt mihi mala.

Avertantur statim erubescentes, qui dicunt mihi:

1 O God, come to my assistance: O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let them be confounded and ashamed: that seek

after my soul.

3 Let them be turned backward, and blush for shame: that desire evils unto me.

4 Let them be straightway turned backward blushing

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Euge, euge.

Exultent et lætentur in te omnes qui quærunt te: et dicant semper, Magnificetur Dominus; qui diligunt salutare tuum.

Ego vero egenus et pauper sum: Deus, adjuva me.

Adjutor meus et liberator meus es tu: Domine, ne moreris.

Gloria Patri, &c.

V. Salvos fac servos tuos. R7. Deus meus, sperantes in te.

V. Esto nobis, Domine,

turris fortitudinis.

R. A facie inimici.

V. Nihil proficiat inimicus in nobis.

Rz. Et filius iniquitatis non apponat nocere nobis.

- V. Domine, non secundum peccata nostra facias nobis.
- Rr. Neque secundum iniquitates nostras retribuas nobis.

V. Oremus pro Pontifice

nostro. N.

- R7. Dominus conservet eum, et vivificet eum, et beatum faciat eum in terra; et non tradat eum in animam inimicorum ejus.
- V. Oremus pro benefactoribus nostris.

R7. Retribuere dignare,

for shame, that say unto me: 'Tis well, 'tis well.

. 5 Let all that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be magnified.

6 But I am needy and poor: O God, help thou me.

7 Thou art my helper and my deliverer : O Lord, make no long delay.

Glory be, &c.

V. Save thy servants. R. Who hope in thee, O my God.

🏋. Be unto us, O Lord, a tower of strength. R7. From the face of the

enemy.

W. Let not the enemy prevail against us.

Ry. Nor the son of iniquity approach to hurt us.

V. O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Ry. Neither requite us according to our iniquities.

W. Let us pray for our Sovereign Pontiff, N.

Rt. The Lord preserve him and give him life, and make him blessed upon the earth; and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies.

▼. Let us pray for our

benefactors.

R7. Vouchsafe, O Lord,

Domine, omnibus nobis bo- for thy name's sake, to rena facientibus propter nomen tuum vitam æternam. Amen.

V. Oremus pro fidelibus

defunctis.

R7. Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine; et lux perpetua luceat eis.

▼. Requiescant in pace. R. Amen.

V. Pro fratribus nostris absentibus.

R7. Salvos fac servos tuos, Deus meus, sperantes in te.

W. Mitte eis, Domine, auxilium de sancto.

R7. Et de Sion tuere eos.

₩. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

Rt. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

unto thee.

Oremus •

Deus, cui proprium es

ward with eternal life all them that do us good. Amen.

W. Let us pray for the

faithful departed.

R7. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord; and let perpetual light shine upon them.

. May they rest in peace.

R7. Amen.

▼. For our absent brethren.

R7. Save thy servants, who hope in thee, O my God.

. Send them help, O Lord, from the sanctuary, R7. And defend them out

of Sion.

W. O Lord, hear prayer.

N. And let my cry come

Let us pray.

O God, whose property misereri semper, et parcere: is always to have mercy

• For the Devotion of the Forty Hours the following Collects are used :

Deus, qui nobis, &c., p. O God, who under a won-415. derful, &c., p. 415.

From Advent to Christmas.

O God, who wast pleased? Deus, qui de beatæ, &c., p. 551. &c., p. 551.

From Christmas to the Purification.

Deus, qui salutis, &c., p. O God, who by the fruit-414. ful, &c. p. 414. Digitized by Göögle

suscipe deprecationem nostram; ut nos, et omnes famulos tuos, quos delictorum catena constringit, miseratio tuæ pietatis clementer absolvat.

Exaudi, quæsumus, Domine, supplicum preces, et confitentium tibi parce peccatis: ut pariter nobis indulgentiam tribuas benignus et pacem.

Ineffabilem nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam clementer ostende: ut simul nos et a peccatis omnibus exuas, et a pœnis, quas pro his meremur, eripias.

Deus, qui culpa offen-

and to spare, receive our humble petition; that we, and all thy servants who are bound by the chain of sins, may, by the compassion of thy goodness, mercifully be absolved.

Graciously hear, we beseech thee, O Lord, the prayers of thy suppliants, and forgive the sins of them that confess to thee; that, in thy bounty, thou mayest grant us both pardon and

peace.

Shew forth upon us, O Lord, in thy mercy, thy unspeakable loving kindness; that thou mayest both loose us from all our sins, and deliver us from the punishments which we deserve for them.

O God, who by sin art

From the Purification to Advent.

Concede nos famulos tuos, quæsumus, Domine Deus, perpetua mentis et corporis sanitate gaudere; et gloriosa beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis intercessione, a præsenti liberari tristitia, et æterna perfrui lætitia.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord God, that we, thy servants, may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body; and, by the intercession of the blessed Mary ever Virgin, may be delivered from present sorrow, and obtain eternal joy.

Then follows the Collect for the Pope, after which is said:

Deus, refugium nostrum et virtus, adesto piis Ecclesiæ tuse precibus, auctor ipse pietatis; et præsta, ut quod fideO God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all piety, hearken unto the devout prayers of thy Churc' deris, pœnitentia placaris: preces populi tui supplicantis propitius respice; et flagella tuæ iracundiæ, quæ pro peccatis nostris meremur, averte.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, miserere famulo tuo Pontifici nostro N. et dirige eum secundum tuam clementiam in viam salutis æternæ: ut te donante tibi placita cupiat, et tota virtute perficiat.

Deus, 2 quo sancta desideria, recta consilia, et justa sunt opera: da servis tuis illam, quam mundus

liter petimus, efficaciter consequamur.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, in cujus manu sunt omnes potestates, et omnia jura regnorum, respice in auxilium Christianorum, ut gentes paganorum et hæreticorum, quæ in sua feritate et fraude confidunt, dexteræ tuæ potentia conterantur.

offended, and by penance pacified, mercifully regard the prayers of thy people making supplication to thee, and turn away the scourges of thine anger, which we deserve for our sins.

Almighty, everlasting God, have mercy upon thy servant N., our Sovereign Pontiff, and direct him, according to thy clemency, into the way of everlasting salvation; that by thy grace he may both desire those things that are pleasing to thee, and perform them with all his strength.

O God, from whom all holy desires, all right counsels, and all just works do come, give unto thy ser-

and grant that what we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually.

Almighty, everlasting God, in whose hand are all the powers and all the rights of kingdoms, come to the assistance of thy Christian people, that all pagan and heretical nations, who trust in their own violence and fraud, may be broken by the might of thy right hand.

Then follows the last Collect, Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, &c., Almighty, everlasting God, &c., with the Versietes, except that, in the last response but one, &c., instead of the simple Amen, is said,

R. Et custodiat nos semper. Amen. .R. And ever preserve us.

dare non potest, pacem; ut et corda nostra mandatis tuis dedita, et hostium sublata formidine, tempora sint tua protectione tranquilla.

Ure igne Sancti Spiritus renes nostros et cor nostrum, Domine: ut tibi casto corpore serviamus, et mundo corde placeamus.

Fidelium Deus omnium Conditor et Redemptor, animabus famulorum famularumque tuarum remissionem cunctorum tribue peccatorum: ut indulgentam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicationibus consequantur.

Actiones nostras, quæsumus, Domine, aspirando præveni, et adjuvando prosequere: ut cuncta nostra oratio et operatio a te semper incipiat, et per te cæpta finiatur.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui vivorum dominaris simul et mortuorum, omniumque misereris, quos tuos fide et opere futuros esse prænoscis: te supplices exoramus; ut pro quibus effundere preces decrevimus, quosque vel præsens sæcuvants that peace which the worldcannot give; that both our hearts being devoted to the keeping of thy commandments and the fear of enemies being removed, our times, by thy protection, may be peaceful.

Inflame, O Lord, our reins and heart with the fire of the Holy Ghost; that we may serve thee with a chaste body, and please thee

with a clean heart.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins; that through pious supplications they may obtain the pardonwhich they have always desired.

Prevent, we beseech thee, O Lord, our actions by thy inspirations, and further them with thy continual help; that every prayer and work of ours may always begin from thee, and through thee be likewise ended.

Almighty, everlasting God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all, who thou foreknowest will be thine by faith and works; we humbly beseech thee that they for whom we intend to pour forth our

lum adhuc in carne retinet. vel futurum jam exutos corpore suscepit, intercedentibus omnibus Sanctis tuis. pietatis tuæ clementia omnium delictorum suorum veniam consequantur. Dominum nostrum.

R7. Amen.

sion of all the Saints, obtain the remission of all their Through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Ry. Amen.

▼. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R7. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

▼. Exaudiat nos omnipotens et misericors Dominus.

Rr. Amen.

🕅. Et fidelium animæ per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.

R7. Amen.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

prayers, whether this present world still detain them

in the flesh, or the world to

come hath already received

them stripped of their mor-

tal bodies, may, by the

grace of thy loving kind-

ness, and by the interces-

R. And let my cry come

unto thee.

. May the almighty and merciful Lord graciously hear us.

R7. Amen.

W. And may the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R7. Amen.

Litany of the Most Holy Lame of Irsus.

An Indulgence of three hundred days was granted by Rescript, dated April 28, 1864, to the faithful in England for the devout recitation of the Latany of the Most Holy Name, by our Most Holy Father Pope Pius IX. who at the same time prohibited any form but that of which the sollowing is a translation, authorised by the Bishops.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Jesu audi nos. Jesu exaudi nos. Pater de cœlis Deus, Miserere nobis. Fili Redemptor

Deus, Miserere nobis.

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Jesus hear us. Jesus graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven. Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have, &c.

Spiritus Sancte Deus, Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus.

Jesu, Fili Dei vivi,

Jesu, splendor Patris,

Jesu, candor lucis eter næ,

Jesu, Rex gloriæ, Jesu, Sol justitiæ, Jesu, Fili Mariæ Virginis, Jesu amabilis,

Jesu admirabilis, Jesu, Deus fortis, Jesu, Pater futuri sæ-

culi, Jesu, magni consilii An-

gele,
Jesu potentissime,
Jesu patientissime,

Jesu obedientissime, Jesu, mitis et humilis

corde,
Jesu, amator castitatis,
Jesu, amator noster,
Jesu, Deus pacis,
Jesu, Auctor vitæ,

Jesu, exemplar virtutum,

Jesu, zelator animarum,

Jesu, Deus noster, Jesu, refugium nostrum,

Jesu, Pater pauperum, Jesu, thesaurus fidelium,

Jesu, Bone Pastor,

God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God,

Jesus, Son of the living God,

Jesus, splendour of the Father,

Jesus, brightness of eternal light,

Jesus, King of glory, Jesus, Sun of justice, Jesus Son of the Virgin

Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary,

Jesus, most amiable, Jesus, most admirable,

Jesus, mighty God,
Jesus, Father of the E
world to come,

Jesus, Angel of great counsel,

Jesus, most powerful, Jesus, most patient, Jesus, most obedient

Jesus, most obedient,
Jesus, meek and humble
of heart,

Jesus, lover of chastity, Jesus, lover of us, Jesus, God of peace,

Jesus, Author of life, Jesus, example of virtues.

Jesus, zealous lover of souls,

Jesus, our God, Jesus, our refuge,

Jesus, Father of the poor, Jesus, treasure of the faithful,

Jesus, Good Shepherd,

Jesu, lux vera, Jesu, sapientia æterna, Jesu, bonitas infinita, Jesu, via et vita nostra, Jesu, gaudium Angelo-Jesu, Rex Patriarcha-Jesu, Magister Apostolorum, Jesu, Doctor Evangelistarum, Jesu, fortitudo Marty-Jesu, lumen Confessorum, Jesu, puritas Virginum, Jesu, corona Sanctorum omnium, Propitius esto, Parce nobis, Jesu. Propitius esto, Exaudi nos. Jesu. Ab omni malo, Ab omni peccato, Ab ira tua, Ab insidiis diaboli, A spiritu fornicationis, A morte perpetua, A neglectu inspirationum tuarum, Per mysterium sanctæ 🕏 Incarnationis tuæ,

Per Nativitatem tuam,

Der infantiam tuam,

Jesus, true light, Jesus, eternal wisdom, Jesus, infinite goodness, Jesus, our way and our life, Jesus, joy of Angels, Jesus, King of Patriarchs, Jesus, Master of Apostles. Jesus, Teacher of Evangelists, Jesus, strength of Mar- 🎘 tyrs, Jesus, light of Confes-· sors, Jesus, purity of Virgins, Jesus, crown of all Saints, Be merciful unto us, Spare us, O Jesus. Be merciful unto us, Graciously hear us, O Jesus. From all evil, From all sin, From thy wrath, From the snares of the devil. From the spirit of uncleanness. From everlasting death, From the neglect of thy inspirations, Through the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, Through thy Nativity, Through thine infancy,

Per divinissimam vitam tuam, Per labores tuos,

Per labores tuos, Per agoniam et passionem tuam,

Per Crucem et derelictionem tuam,

Per languores tuos,

Per mortem et sepulturam tuam, Per resurrectionem tuam.

Per ascensionem tuam,

Per gaudia tua, Per gloriam tuam, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

Parce nobis, Jesu.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

Exaudi nos, Jesu.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

Miserere nobis, Jesu.
Jesu audi nos.
Jesu exaudi nos.
Oremus.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti: Petite, et accipietis; quærite, et invenietis; pulsate, et aperietur vobis: quæsumus, da nobis petentibus divinissimi tui amoris affectum, ut te toto corde, ore et

Through thy most divine life,

Through thy labours, Through thine agony and passion,

Through thy Cross and dereliction,

Through thy faintness and weariness,
Through thy death and

burial,
Through thy resurrec-

tion,
Through thine ascen-

sion, Through thy joys,

Through thy glory, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the

world, Spare us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Jesus.
Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the
world,

Have mercy on us, O Jesus. Jesus hear us.

Jesus graciously hear us. Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast said: Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you; give, we beseech thee, to us who ask, the grace of thy most divine love, that with all or.

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opere diligamus, et a tua nunquam laude cessemus.

Sancti Nominis tui, Domine, timorem pariter et amorem fac nos habere perpetuum, quia nunquam tua gubernatione destituis quos in soliditate tuæ dilectionis instituis. Per Dominum.

heart, words, and works, we may love thee, and never cease to praise thee.

Make us, O Lord, to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name, for thou never failest to govern those whom thou dost solidly establish in thy love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

Litany of the Blessed Virgin.

Sub trum præsidium benedicta.

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleisen. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kurie eleison. Christe audi nos. Christe exaudi nos. Pater de cœlis Deus.

Fili Redemptor mundi Deus, Spiritus Sancte Deus, Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus. Sancta Maria, Ora pro nobis. Sancta Dei Genitrix,

· We fly to thy patronage, confugimus, sancta Dei Ge- O holy Mother of God, denitrix, nostras depreca- spise not our petitions in tiones ne despicias in ne- our necessities; but deliver cessitatibus nostris; sed a us always from all dangers, periculis cunctis libera nos O glorious and blessed semper, Virgo gloriosa et Virgin.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary, Pray for we. Holy Mother of God,

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Sancta Virgo virginum, Mater Christi, Mater divinæ gratiæ, Mater purissima, Mater castissima, Mater inviolata, Mater intemerata, Mater amabilis. Mater admirabilis, Mater Creatoris. Mater Salvatoris, Virgo prudentissima, Virgo veneranda, Virgo prædicanda, Virgo potens, Virgo clemens, Virgo fidelis, Speculum justitiæ, Sedes sapientiæ, Causa nostræ lætitiæ, Vas spirituale, Vas honorabile. Vas insigne devotionis,

Rosa mystica,
Turris Davidica,
Turris eburnea,
Domus aurea,
Fœderis arca,
Janua cœli,
Stella matutina,
Salus infirmorum,
Refugium peccatorum,
Consolatrix afflictorum,
Auxilium Christian-

orum, Regina Angelorum, Regina Patriarcharum, Regina Prophetarum, Regina Apostolorum, Regina Martyrum, Holy Virgin of virgins, Mother of Christ, Mother of divine grace, Mother most pure, Mother most chaste, Mother inviolate, Mother undefiled, Mother most amiable. Mother most admirable. Mother of our Creator, Mother of our Saviour. Virgin most prudent, Virgin most venerable, Virgin most renowned, Virgin most powerful, Virgin most merciful, Virgin most faithful, Mirror of justice, Seat of wisdom, Cause of our joy, Spiritual Vessel.

Vessel of singular devotion,
Mystical Rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of ivory,
House of gold,
Ark of the covenant,
Gate of heaven,
Morning star,
Health of the sick,
Refuge of sinners,
Comforter of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,

Vessel of honour,

Queen of Angels, Queen of Patriarchs, Queen of Prophets, Queen of Apostles, Queen of Martyrs, Regina Confessorum, Regina Virginum, Regina Sanctorum omnium, Regina sine labe origi-

nali concepta. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata

mundi.

Parce nobis, Domine. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata

mundi.

Exaudi nos, Domina. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,

Miserere nobis. Christe audi nos.

Christe exaudi nos. Ant. Sub tuum præsidium confugimus, saneta Dei Genitrix, nostras deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris; sed a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.

W. Ora pro nobis, sancta

Dei Genitrix.

R7. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi,

Oremus.

Gratiam tuam, quæsu-Domine, mentibus nostris infunde : ut qui, Angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui Incarnationem cognovimus, per Passionem 🙀 ejus et Crucem ad Resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. er eundem Christum Do-

Queen of Confessors. Queen of Virgins, Queen of all Saints,

Queen conceived without original sin, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

Ant. We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God, despise not our petitions in our necessities; but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R7. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, whom the incarnation of Christ, thy Son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may, by his Passion Y and Cross, be brought to the glory of his Resurminum nostrum.

Ry. Amen.

y. Divinum auxilium
maneat semper nobiscum.

Ry. Amen.

rection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R7. Amen.

W. May the divine assistance remain always with us RJ. Amen.

Litany of the Bying.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Sancta Maria, *Ora pro* eo. Omnes sancti Angeli et Archangeli, Orate, &c. Sancte Abel. Omnis chorus Justorum, Sancte Abraham, Sancte Joannes Baptista, Sancte Joseph, Omnes sancti Patriarche et Prophetæ, Orate, &c. Sancte Petre. Sancte Paule, Sancte Andrea, Sancte Joannes, Omnes saneti Apostoli et Evangelistæ, Orate, &c. Omnes sancti Discipuli Domini, Orate, &c. Omnes sancti Innocentes, Orate, &c. Sancte Stephane, Ora, &c. Sancte Laurenti, Ora, &c.

Omnes sancti Martyres,

Sancte Silvester, Ora, &c.

Sancte Augustine, Ora, &c.

Sancte Gregori, Ora. &c.

Orate, &c.

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Holy Mary, Pray for him. All ye holy Angels and Archangels, Holy Abel, All ye choirs of the Just, Holy Abraham, St. John Baptist, St. Joseph, All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets, St. Peter. St. Paul, St. Andrew, St. John, All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists, All ye holy Disciples of our Lord,

All ye holy Innocents,

All ye holy Martyrs

St. Sylvester St. Gregory, St. Augustin.

St. Stephen,

St. Lawrence,

Omnes sancti Pontifices et All ye holy Bishops and Confessores, Orate, &c. Sancte Benedicte, Ora, &c. Sancte Francisce, Ora, &c. Omnes sancti Monachi et Eremitæ, Orate, &c. Sancta Maria Magdalena, Ora, &c. Sancta Lucia, Ora, &c. Omnes sanctæ Virgines et Viduæ, Orate, &c. Omnes Sancti et Sanctæ Dei, Intercedite pro eo. Propitius esto, Parce ei, Domine. Propitius esto, Exaudi nos, Domine. Propitius esto, Libera eum, Domine. Ab ira tua, A periculo mortis, A mala morte, A pœnis inferni, Ab omni malo, A potestate diaboli, Per Nativitatem tuam, Per Crucem et Passionem tuam, Per Mortem et Sepulturam tuam, Per gloriosam Resurrec tionem tuam, Per admirabilem Ascensionem tuam, Per gratiam Spiritus Sancti Paracliti.

In die judicii, l'eccatores,

Confessors,
St. Benedict,
St. Francis,
All ye holy Monks and Hermits, St. Mary Magdalen, St. Lucy, All ye holy Virgins and Widows, All ye men and women, Saints of God, Intercede for him. Be merciful, Spare him, O Lord. Be merciful, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Be merciful unto him, Deliver him, O Lord. From thy wrath, From the peril of death, From an evil death, From the pains of hell, From all evil. From the power of the devil, Through thy Nativity, Through thy Cross and 3 Passion,
Through thy Death and Through thy glorious Re surrection, Through thine admirable Ascension, Through the grace of the Holy Ghost the Para-

clete,

We sinners.

In the day of judgment,

Te rogamus audi nos. Ut ei parcas, Te rogamus audi nos. Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Beseech thee, hear us. That thou spare him, We beseech thee, hear us. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Litany of the Most Poly Crinity.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Blessed Trinity, hear us. Adorable Unity, graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Father, from whom are all things.

Son, through whom are all things,

Holy Ghost, in whom are all things, Holy and undivided Trinity,

Father everlasting, Only-begotten Son of the Father.

Spirit, who proceedest from the Father and the Son, Co-eternal Majesty Three Divine Persons,

Father the Creator, Son the Redeemer, Holy Ghost the Comforter, Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,

Who art, who wast, and who art to come, God, Most High, who inha-

bitest eternity,

To whom alone are due all honour and glory,

Who alone doest great wonders,

Power infinite,

Wisdom incomprehensible, Love unspeakable, Be merciful.

Spare us, O Holy Trinity. Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Holy

Trinity.From all evil,

From all sin, From all pride, From all love of riches, From all uncleanness;

From all sloth, From all inordinate affec-

tion, From all envy and malice,

From all anger and impatience, From every thought, word,

and deed, contrary to thy holy law,

From thy everlasting ma lediction,

almighty thy Through power,

Through thy plenteous loving-kindness,

exceeding Through the treasures of thy goodness and love,

Through the depths of thy wisdom and knowledge,

Through all thy unspeakable perfections, Deliver us, O holy Trinity. We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us. That we may ever serve thee alone,

That we may worship thee in spirit and in truth, That we may love thee with

all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our

strength,

That, for thy sake, we may love our neighbour as ourselves,

That we may faithfully keep thy holy command-

ments,

That we may never defile our bodies and our souls

with sin,

That we may go from grace to grace, and from virtue to virtue,

That we may finally enjoy the sight of thee in glory, That thou wouldst vouch-

safe to hear us.

O blessed Trinity, We beseech thee, deliver us. O blessed Trinity, We beseech thee, save us.

O blessed Trinity, Have mercy on us. Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

▼. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

Ry. And worthy to be praised, and glorious, and highly exalted for ever.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given to thy servants, in the confession of the true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the Eternal Trinity, and in the power of Majesty to adore the Unity; grant, we beseech thee, that, by steadfastness in this faith, we may ever be defended from all adversities. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Seriptural Eitany.

(Abridged from the " Paradisus Anima.")

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy. God, the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God. God, of whom, by whom, and in whom are all things, God, in whom we live, and move and are

Rom. xi. 86. Acts xvii. 28

Who alone hast immortality, and dwellest in light inaccessible,

Whose majesty filleth the whole earth.

Whom heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain.

Who hast made all things for theself.

Who workest all things according to the counsel of thy will,

In whose hand is the soul of every living thing, and the spirit of all flesh,

Who hast power to cast body and soul into hell, Who openest thine hand, and fillest with

hell,
Who dost great things and unsearchable, and
Wonderful things without number. wonderful things without number,

Whose eyes are brighter than the sun, beholding all the ways of men.

Who catchest the wise in their craftiness, and disappointest the counsel of the wicked, Who searchest the heart, and triest the reins,

Whose judgments are incomprehensible, and whose ways are unsearchable.

Who art the Father of orphans, and the Judge of widows,

Merciful and patient, of much compassion, and true. Our protector, and our reward exceedingly

great. King of kings, and Lord of lords, King of ages, immortal and invisible. Be merciful, Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

From all sin, From pride and vain-glory.

From avarice and worldly solicitude, From anger, resentment, and envy,

From calumny, detraction, and rash judgment,

From gluttony, drunkenness, and impurity,

From spiritual sloth, and the forgetfulness of our salvation. From the abuse of thy grace, and a reprobate sense,

From the worm that never dieth, and the fire that shall never be extinguished,

From being deprived of the sight and enjoyment of thee. Through thy almighty power and infinite wisdom, Through thy incomprehensible majesty and eternal glory,

Through thy ineffable bounty and superabundant mercy, Through all the humiliations and sufferings of thine only-

begotten Son.

1 Tim. vi. 16. Ps. lxxi. 19.

2 Kin. viii. 27. Prov. xvi. 4.

Eph. i, 11.

Job xii, 10,

Ps. cxliv. 16. Matt. x. 28.

Job v. 9.

Eccl. xxiii.28

Job v. 13.

Jer. xvii. 10. Rom. xi. 33.

Pa lxvii. R.

Ps. lxxxv. 15.

Gen. xv. 1. 1 Tim. vi. 13. 1 Tim. i. 17.

We sinners, Beseech thee, hear us.

That we may love thee, the Lord our God, with all our heart, with all our soul, and with all our mind,

That we may adore thee alone, and serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives,

That we may never take thy holy name in vain,

That we may sanctify the feasts and holy days of the Church, That we may give due honour and obedience to our parents and lawful superiors,

That we may not injure our neighbour in body, soul, or

peace of mind,

That we may crucify the flesh, with its vices and concupiscences, and be ever clean of heart,

That we may not do to others what we would not, have others do to us.

That we may not covet our neighbour's goods,

That thou wouldst make all grace abound in us,

That we may present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to thee,

That thou wouldst bring us to the kingdom which thou hast prepared for us from the foundation of the world, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Glory be to the Father, &c. As it was in the beginning, &c.

Let us pray.

O adorable Lord, in Three distinct and equal Persons One God, who requirest the homage of our reason by the belief of mysteries which are above our understanding, and that of our will by the observance of precepts which are mortifying to our natural inclinations; give us thy grace to perform this two-fold duty; and grant that we may never oppose our uncertain reasoning to thy infallible truth, nor deliberately transgress thy most high and holy commands. Thus continuing until death in entire subjection to thee, may we come at last to the clear and perfect enjoyment of thee. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

Litany of the Holy Ghost.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

By wh e inspiration spake

overshadow

the holy men of God,

didst

Who

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Ghost, who proceedest from the Father and the Son. Holy Ghost, co-equal with the Father and the Son, Promise of the Father, most loving and most bounteous. Gift of the most high God, Ray of heavenly light, Author of all good, Source of living water, Consuming Fire, Burning Love. Spiritual Unction, Spirit of truth and of power, Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, Spirit of counsel and of fortitude, Spirit of knowledge and of piety, Spirit of the fear of the Lord, z Spirit of compunction and E of penance, Spirit of grace and of prayer, Spirit of charity, peace, and Spirit of patience, longanimity, and goodness, Spirit of benignity, mildness, and fidelity, Spirit of modesty, continence, and chastity, Spirit of adoption of the sons of God, Holy Ghost, the Comforter, Holy Ghost, the Sanctifier, Who in the beginning didst move over the waters,

Mary, Who didst co-operate in the miraculous conception of the Son of God, Who didst descend upon Him at his baptism, Who, on the day of Pentecost, didst appear in fiery tongues upon the disciples of the Lord, By whom we also are born again. Who dwellest in us, Who governest the Church. Who fillest the whole world, Holy Ghost, We beseeck thee, hear us. That thou wouldst renew the face of the earth, That thou wouldst shed abroad thy light in our hearts, That thou wouldst write thy law in our hearts. That thou wouldst inflame them with the fire of thy love. That thou wouldst open to us the treasures of thy grace, That thou wouldst teach us to ask for them according to thy will, That thou wouldst enlighten us with thy heavenly inspirations, That thou wouldst keep us to thyself by thy powerful attractions, That thou wouldst grant to us the knowledge alone necessary, That thou wouldst help us to love and bear with each other, That thou wouldst lead us

in the way of thy commandments,

That thou wouldst make us obedient to thy inspira-

That thou wouldst teach us to pray, and thyself pray within us,

That thou wouldst clothe us with love and compassion towards our breth-

That thou wouldst inspire us with a horror of evil, That thou wouldst direct us in the practice of good.

That thou wouldst give us the grace of all virtues, That thou wouldst cause us

to persevere in justice, That thou wouldst be thy-

self our everlasting reward,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us. O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us. Create in us a clean heart,

O God.

Ry. And renew a right spirit within us.

Let us pray. Grant, O merciful Father, that thy divine Spirit may enlighten, inflame, and cleanse our hearts; that he may penetrate us with his heavenly dew, and make us fruitful in good works. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Incarnate Word.

(Abridged from the "Paradisus Anima.")

Lord have mercy. **Lord** have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Word made flesh, Word full of grace and truth. God by whom all things were made.

Lord God of Israel, blessed for evermore, Only-begotten Son of God. Saviour, Christ, and Lord, Great God, Son of the Most High, God with us, Emmanuel,

Only-begotten Son, who art in the bosom of the Father,

Well-beloved Son of God, in whom the Father is well pleased,

Wisdom set up from all cternity,

Image of the invisible God.

Whose Name is above every name, Who upholdest all things by the word of thy power, Beginning of the creation of God, First-born of every creature. First-born among many brethren, Heir of all things, Flower of the field, and Lily of the valleys, Bud of justice, Angel of the Lord, Angel of the Testament, Star arisen out of Jacob, Lion of the tribe of Judah, Rod of Jesse, Son of David, Son of man, Jesus of Nazareth, Meek and humble of heart, Good Shepherd, who givest thy life for thy sheep, Shepherd and Bishop of

our souls. Saint of saints. Prince of pastors, Great Prophet, mighty in word and work. Who wast sent to preach

the gospel to the poor, The Lord our lawgiver, Light of the world, True Light, which enlightenest every man that cometh into the world,

Key of David, Ark of the testament. Living Stone, elect of God, Stone that art become the head of the corner,

Stone of foundation laid in the midst of Sion, Prince of the kings of the earth,

Master and Lord. King of kings and Lord of lords,

Man of sorrows, acquainted with infirmity,

Who hast truly borne our infirmities. By whose bruises we are

healed, Lamb without blemish,

Lamb slain from the beginining of the world, Our Prince and Saviour,

Our Lord and our God, Salvation of God sent to

the Gentiles, The Propitiation for our sins,

The Apostle and High Priest of our confession, The one Mediator between

God and man, Mediator of the New Tes-

tament, Author and Finisher of

First-begotten of the dead, The Resurrection and the

Life, The Pasch and nourish-

ment of our souls, Who hast the keys of death

and hell. Our Advocate with the

Father, The Temple and the Lamp of the holy city,

Hope of mortals, Tree of life, Light of life, Fountain of life, The Beginning and the

End,

Judge of the living and the dead.

God blessed for ever. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, G Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

O God, who, by thy coeternal Wisdom, didst make man when he was not, and

mercifully restore him when he was lost; grant, we beseech thee, that by the inspiration of the same Wisdom, we may both love thee with our whole soul, and fly to thee with our whole heart. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Infant Desus.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Infant Jesus, hear us. Infant Jesus, graciously hear w. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Infant Jesus, Infant, very God, Infant, Son of the living God, Infant, Son of the Virgin Infant, begotten before the morning star, Infant, Word made flesh. Infant, Wisdom of thy Father, Infant, Purity of thy Mo-Infant, only Son of thy Fa-Infant, Only-Born of thy Mother, Infant, Image of thy Father,

Infant, Creator of thy Mo-

ther.

Infant, Splendour of thy Father, Infant, Honour of thy Mo-Infant, equal to thy Father, Infant, subject to thy Me-Infant, Joy of thy Father, Infant, Riches of the Me-Infant, Gift of thy Father, Infant, Offering of thy Mother. Infant, precious Fruit of a Virgin, Infant, Creator of man, Infant, Power of God, Infant, our God, Infant, our Brother. Infant, perfect Man from thy Conception, Infant, ancient in wisdom from thy Childhood, Infant, Father of ages, Infant of days, Infant, giving life, and nourished at the breast, Infant, Eternal Word, and making thyself dumb, Infant, weeping in the crib, Infant, thundering in the heavens, Infant, Terror of hell,

Infant, Joy of paradise,

Infant, dreaded by tyrants, Infant, desired by the Magi, Infant, exiled from thy people, Infant, King in exile, Infant, Destroyer of idols, Infant, Vindicator of the glory of God, Infant, strong in weakness.

Infant, strong in weakness, Infant, powerful in abasement,

Infant, Treasure of grace, Infant, Fountain of love, Infant, Author of the blessings of heaven,

Infant, Repairer of the evils of earth.

Infant, Head of the Angels, Infant, Stem of the Patriarchs,

Infant, Word of the Prephets,

Infant, Expectation of nations,

Infant, Joy of the shepherds-Infant, Light of the Magi, Infant, Salvation of chil

dren, Infant, Hope of the just, Infant, Teacher of Doctors, Infant, First-fruits of the

Saints, Be merciful.

Spare us, O Infant Jesus. Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Infant

Jesus.
From the bondage of the

children of Adam, From the slavery of the

devil,
From the corruption of the

world,

From the lust of the flesh, From the pride of life, From an immoderate desire of knowledge, From blindness of mind,

From blindness of mind, From perversity of will, From our sins, Through thy most pure Conception,

Through thy most humble Birth, Through thy Tears,

Through thy most painful Circumcision,

Through thy most glorious Epiphany,

Through thy most devout
Presentation,
Through thy most innocent

Conversation in the world, Through thy most holy Life, Through thy Poverty,

Through thy Sorrows, Through thy Labours and

Travails,
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Infant Jesus.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sine of the world

the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Infant

Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us, O Infant Jesus. Infant Jesus, hear us.

Infant Jesus, hear us.

Infant Jesus, graciously hear

**s.

Let us pray. O Lord Jesus, who didst vouchsafe so to annihilate the greatness of thy Lacarnate Divinity and most Sacred Humanity, as to be born in time, and become a litte child; grant that we may acknowledge Infinite Wisdom in the silence of a child, Power in weakness. Majesty in abasement; so that, adoring thy humiliations on earth, we may contemplate thy glories in heaven. with the Father and the liviy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever.

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Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Litany of the Life of Jesus Christ.

Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Jesus, sent into the world by the Father, Jesus, conceived by the Holy Ghost, Jesus, who didst put on the form of a servant, Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus, adored by thy Mo-Jesus, wrapped in swad dling clothes, Jesus, cradled in a manger, Jesus, nourished at a virgin's breast, Jesus, manifesting thyself to shepherds, Jesus, submitting to the law of circumcision, Jesus, adored by the Magi, Jesus, presented in the Temple, Jesus, received into the arms of the just Simeon,

Jesus, exiled into Egypt,

reth.

Jesus, persecuted by Herod, Jesus, brought up at Naza-

Jesus, found in the Temple

Jesus, subject to thy Parents. Jesus, baptised by John, Jesus, tempted in the desert. Jesus, choosing for thy disciples the poor and igno-Jesus, assisting the afflicted, Jesus, transfigured on the mountain, Jesus, weeping over Jerusalem. Jesus, entering Jerusalem as King of peace, Jesus, driving the buyers and sellers from Temple, Jesus, washing thy disciples' feet, Jesus, eating the Pasch with thy disciples, Jesus, giving thy Body for food, and thy Blood for drink, Jesus, praying in the Garden of Olives.* Jesus betrayed by Judas, Jesus, hated and despitefully treated, Jesus, scourged and crowned with thorns, Jesus, going up to Calvary, Jesus, crucified between two thieves, Jesus, made the scorn of Jesus, dying upon the cross, Jesus, after thy death, go-

ing down into hell,

in the midst of the Doc-

This Litany may be connected with the following, by passing from this asterisk to that in the next page Taken thus together, they form one continuous Litany.

Jesus, rising again for our justification. Jesus, ascending into hea-

ven,

Jesus, sitting down at the right hand of the Father, Jesus, crowned with glory and honour,

Jesus, sending down on thy disciples the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,

Jesus, preparing for the just an eternal kingdom, Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord Jesus. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us, O Lord Mesus.

Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

O God, who willest not the death, but the conversion of sinners; look favourably on thy people, who, honouring the humiliations and the glories of thy holy life, fly to thy refuge with a contrite heart; and in thy merciful kindness turn from us war, famine, pestilence, and all the other scourges of thine anger. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Litang of the Passion.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have m rey. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. Ged the Son, Redeemer of tse world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Jesus, the Eternal Wisdom, Jesus, conversing with men. Jesus, hated by the world. Jesus, sold for thirty pieces of silver, *Jesus, prostrate on the ground in prayer, Jesus, strengthened by an

angel,

Jesus, in thine agony, bathed in a bloody sweat, Jesus, betrayed by Judas with a kiss. Jesus, bound by the soldiers, Jesus, forsaken by thy disciples, Jesus, brought before Annas and Caiaphas, Jesus, struck by a servant on the face, Jesus, accused by false witnesses. Jesus, declared worthy of death, Jesus, spit upon in the face, Jesus, blindfolded, Jesus, smitten on the cheek, Jesus, thrice denied by Peter, Jesus, delivered up to Pilate, Jesus, despised and mocked by Herod.

Jesus, clothed in a white garment,

Jesus, rejected for Barabbas.

Jesus, torn with scourges, Jesus, bruised for our sins,

Jesus, esteemed as a leper, Jesus, covered with a purple robe,

Jesus, crowned with thorns. Jesus, struck with a reed upon the head,

Jesus, demanded for crucifixion by the Jews,

Jesus, condemned to an ignominious death,

Jesus, given up to the will of thine enemies.

Jesus, loaded with heavy weight of cross.

Jesus, led like a sheep to the slaughter,

Jesus, stripped of thy gar-

ments. Jesus, fastened with nails

to the cross, Jesus, wounded for our ini-

quities,

Jesus, praying to thy Father for thy murderers, Jesus, reputed with the

wicked,

Jesus, blasphemed scoffed at on the cross, Jesus, reviled by the malefactor.

Jesus, promising Paradise to the penitent thief,

Jesus, commending St. John to thy Mother as her son, Jesus, declaring thyself for-

saken by thy Father, Jesus, in thy thirst given gall and vinegar to drink,

Jesus, testifying that all things written concerning thee were accomplished;

Jesus, commending thy spirit into the hands of thy Father,

Jesus, obedient even to the death of the cross,

Jesus, pierced with a lance, Jesus, made a propitiation for us,

Jesus, taken down from the cross, Jesus, laid in the sepulchre,

Jesus, rising gloriously from the dead,

Jesus, ascending into heaven,

Jesus, our Advocate with the Father,

Jesus, sending down on thy disciples the Holy Ghost the Paraclete,

Jesus, exalting thy Mother above the choirs of An-

gels, Jesus, who shalt come to judge the living and the

Be merciful.

Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. From all evil, From all sin.

From anger, hatred, and every evil will,

From war, famine, and pestilence,

From all dangers of mind and body,

From everlasting death,

Through thy most pure Conception,

thy miraculous Through Nativity,

Through thy humble Circumicision,

Through thy Baptism and holy Fasting.

Through thy Labours and Waterings,

Through thy cruel Scourging and Crowning,

Through thy Thirst, and Tears, and Nakedness,

Through thy precious Death and Cross,

Through thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension,

Through thy sending forth the Holy Ghost, the Paraclete, In the day of judgment

In the day of judgment, We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us. That thou wouldst spare us, That thou wouldst pardon

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring us to true penance,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe mercifully to pour into our hearts the grace of the Holy Spirit,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to defend and propagate thy holy Church,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to preserve and increase all societies assembled in thy holy Name,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to bestow upon us true peace, humility, and charity,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to give us perseverance in grace and in thy

holy service,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to deliver us from unclean thoughts, the temptations of the devil, and everlasting damnation,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to unite us to the company of thy Saints, That thou wouldst vouchsafe graciously to hear us, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

y. We adore thee, O Christ,

and we bless thee.

If. Because through thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Let us pray. O God, who for the redemption of the world wast pleased to be born, to be circumcised, to be rejected by the Jews, to be betrayed by the traitor Judas with a kiss, to be bound with thongs, to be led as an innocent lamb to the slaughter, and to be shamefully presented to the gaze of Annas, Caiaphas, Pilate, and Herod; to be accused by false witnesses, to be insulted with scourgings and revilings, to be spit upon and crowned with thorns, to be buffeted upon the face and struck with a reed, to be blindfolded, to be stripped of thy clothes, to be fastened with nails to the cross, to be hoisted up thereon, to be reckoned among thieves, to have gall and vinegar given thee to drink, and to be pierced with a lance; through these thy most boly Sufferings, which we, thy unworthy servants, devoutly call to mind, and by thy

holy Cross and by thy Death, deliver us (or this thy servant N. in his agony) from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to conduct us whither thou didst con-

duct the thief who was crucified with thee. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

Litany of the Holy Cross.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have merey. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Cress, whereon the Lamb of God was offered for the sins of the world. Deliver and save us. Hope of Christians, Pledge of the resurrection from the dead. Shelter of persecuted innocence, Guide of the blind. Way of those who have gone astray. Staff of the lame. Consolation of the poor, Restraint of the powerful, Destruction of the proud, Refuge of sinners, Trophy of victory over hell, Terror of demons. Mistress of youth, Succour of the distressed, Hope of the hopeless, **Mar** of the mariner, bour of the wreaked.

Rampart of the besieged, Father of orphans, Defence of widows, Counsel of the just, Judge of the wicked, Rest of the afflicted, Safeguard of childhood. Strength of manhood, Last hope of the aged. Light of those who sit in darkness. Splendour of kings, Civiliser of the world. Buckler impenetrable, Wisdom of the foolish, Liberty of slaves, Knowledge of the ignorant, Sure rule of life, Heralded by prophets, Preached by apostles, Glory of martyrs, Study of anchorites, Chastity of virgins, Joy of priests, Foundation of the Church, Salvation of the world. Destruction of idolstry. Stumbling-block of the Jews, Condemnation of the ungodly, Support of the weak, Medicine of the sick, Health of the leprous,

Strength of the paralytic, Bread of the hungry,

Clothing of the naked,

Fountain of those that thirst,

Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world.

Cracionally hear vs. O Lord.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who wast offered on the cross for the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Because through thy holy

Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Let us pray.

O God, who, for the redemption of the world, wast pleased to be born in a stable, and to die upon a cross; O Lord Jesus Christ, by thy holy Sufferings, which we, thy unworthy servants, devoutly call to mind, by thy holy Cross, and by thy Death, deliver us from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to conduct us whither thou didst conduct the thief who was crucified with thee. Who livest and reignest eter-

Litanp of the Resurrection.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us.
Christ practicully hear us.
God the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,
God the Holy Ghest,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Jesus, Redeemer of mankind, Jesus, who hast cleaned us by thy blood,

Jesus, Conqueror of sin and death.

Jesus, the Hely One and the Just,

Jesus, the First-Born from the dead,

Jesus, the Second Adam, Jesus, the Resurrection and the Life,

nally in heaven. Amen.

Jesus, the Author of life, Jesus, the Author of our salvation,

Jesus, the God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob,

Jacob,
Jesus, who by death didst
destroy him who had the
empire of death,

Jesus, who didst bring life and immortality to light,
Jesus, who didst lay down
thy life for thy sheep,

Jesus, who hadst power to lay it down, and hadst power to take it up again, Jesus, who, after three

days, didst rise again from the dead, Jesus, who didst rise very

early in the morning on the first day of the week. Jesus, who didst hasten to visit thy blessed Mother in her solitude,

Jesus, who didst appear to Mary Magdalen while it was yet dark,

Jesus, who didst graciously console her in her affliction,

Jesus, who didst send thy angels to announce to the women, that thou wast risen as thou hadst said, Jesus, who didst suffer thyself to be seen of the women, and to be adored by them,

Jesus, who didst appear to Peter, the chief of the apostles,

Jesus, who didst appear, in another shape, to the two disciples going to Emmaus,

Jesus, who didst make thyself known unto them in the breaking of bread, Jesus, who didst appear to

the eleven, saying, Peace be unto you,

Jesus, who didst breathe upon them, and give unto them the Holy Ghost,

Jesus, who didst confirm the faith of Thomas, by shewing unto him thy hands and thy feet,

Jesus, who didst shew thyself again to thy disciples, at the sea of Tiberias, Jesus, who didst commis-

sion Peter to feed thy lambs and thy sheep,

Jesus, who didst converse with thy disciples, upon e mountain of Galilee, · who wast seen by

more than five hundred brethren at once.

Jesus, who wast seen by James,

Jesus, who didst go in and out among thy apostles, speaking to them of the kingdom of God, and eating with them,

Jesus, who didst lead them out as far as Bethany, and, while they looked on, wast carried up to

heaven, Jesus, who shalt come again with great power and

glory, to judge the living and the dead.

Jesus, Son of God. We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us. That we may put off the old man with his acts,

That we may put on the new man, who is created in justice and holiness of truth,

That we may walk in newness of life,

That we may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of

thee, That we may persevere unto the end,

That, having risen with thee, we may die no more,

That we may attain unto the resurrection of the just,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to feed us continually with the bread of life.

That thou wouldst reform the body of our low liness, and make it like **unto the** body of thy glory,

That we may have confidence before thee at thy coming, OOGIG

lave mercy on us.

That we may behold thy face with joy,

That we may be placed on thy right hand in the judgment,

That we may hear those words of joy: Come, ye blessed of my Father, possess ye the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world,

foundation of the world,
That thou wouldst give us
part in thy heavenly glory,
That thou wouldst give rest
and peace to the faithful

departed,

That with them we may obtain everlasting life,
That we may be with thee

always, for ever and ever, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord,

Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

y. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

R. He is risen indeed, and hath appeared unto Simon.
Alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who, by thine onlybegotten Son, hast (this day) opened the passage to eternity, through his victory over death; vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to confirm us by thy grace, that we may walk in all our ways like those who there been redeemed from sin. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Aitany of Jesus glorified.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of
the world.

God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Jesus, King of Glory,
Jesus, Lord and Christ,
Jesus, Prince and Saviour,
Jesus, blessed and only
mighty,

Jesus, who only hast immortality, Jesus, who didst ascend into heaven,

Jesus, who didst ascend above the stars into the heaven of heavens,

Jesus, who didst ascend to thy Father and our Father, to thy God and our God,

Jesus, who ledst captivity
captive,

Jesus, who despoiledst principalities and powers, triumphing over them, Jesus, who art exalted by

the right hand of God, Jesus, who art exalted far above all principality and power,

Jesus, to whom all power

is given in heaven and earth,

Jesus, who art seated at the right hand of the Father, Jesus, who art crowned

with glory and honour, Jesus, who art glorified

Jesus, who art glorified with the glory which thou hadst with the Father before the world was,

Jesus, who art glorified, in thy Sacred Humanity, at the right hand of the Ma-

jesty on high, Jesus, who must reign till

thou hast put all things under thy feet, Jesus, whose throne is for

ever and ever,
Jesus, who art adored by all

Jesus, who art adored by all the Angels of God,

Jesus, who art anointed with the oil of gladness above thy fellows,

Jesus, who art the happiness of the Blessed, Jesus, in whose presence is

Jesus, in whose presence is life,

esus, who hast opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers,

Jesus, who hast entered into heaven itself for us, Jesus, the Mediator of the New Testament,

Jesus, our High Priest for ever, according to the or-

ever, according to the order of Melchisedech, Jesus, who always livest to

make intercession for us, Jesus, who art able to save for ever those that come unto God by thee,

Jesus, Head over all the Church,

Jesus, who didst send down the Holy Ghost on thy disciples, Jesus, who didst promise that whatsoever we asked in thy name thou wouldst do it.

Jesus, who art gone up into heaven, and yet art present with us in the Sacrament of the Altar.

Jesus, who didst assume thy blessed Mother with glory into heaven,

Jesus, who didst crown her with the brightest diadem of glory,

Jesus, who art gone to prepare a place for us,

Jesus, who shalt come again in like manner as thou wentest away,

Jesus, who didst promise new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth justice,

Jesus, who livest for ever, Jesus. Son of God.

We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us,

That we may seek the things that are above, and not the things that are upon earth,

That thou wouldst cleanse our consciences from dead works to serve the living God,

That we may live the rest of our time in the flesh, not after the desires of men, but according to the will of God.

That thou wouldst dwell in our hearts by faith,

That thou wouldst come unto us, and make thy abode with us,

That we may hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering,
That thou wouldst pour

down thy benedictions upon thy Church, That thou wouldst order

all things for the good of them that love thee.

That thou wouldst draw all men unto thee,

That thou wouldst fill our hearts with love and devotion to thy most holy Mother,

That thou wouldst give us confidence in the prayers of all thy Saints,

That thou wouldst come again and take us to thyself, that where thou art, we may be also,

That, when thou shalt appear, we may receive a never-fading crown of glory,

That we may behold thy glory,

That in thy light we may \$

see light, That thou wouldst have mercy on the souls of the

faithful departed, That thou wouldst let the light of thy countenance shine upon them,

That thou wouldst admit

them to the joy of the beatific vision, That thou wouldst hasten

the day of thy appearing, 🚓 That thou wouldst hear us ? from thy holy place,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Y. God is ascended with jubilee. Alleluia.

Ry. And the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Alleluia.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who believe that thine only-begotten Son hath ascended (this day) into heaven, may ourselves also in heart and mind thither ascend, and dwell in heavenly places. Through the same Lord, &c.

Litany of the Blessed Bacrament.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Living Bread, that camest down from heaven, Hidden God and Saviour. Corn o' the elect, Wine whose fruit are virging Google

Bread of fatness, and royal Dainties, Perpetual Sacrifice, Clean Oblation, Lamb without spot, Most pure Feast, Food of Angels, Hidden Manna, Memorial of the wonders of Super-substantial Bread, Word made flesh, dwelling Sacred Host. Chalice of benediction, Mystery of faith, Most high and adorable Sacrament, Most holy of all sacrifices, True Propitiation for the living and the dead, Heavenly Antidote against the poison of sin, Most wonderful of all miracles, Most holy Commemoration of the Passion of Christ. Gift transcending all ful-Special Memorial of divine love, Affluence of divine bounty, Most august and holy Mystery, Medicine of immortality, Tremendous and life-giving Sacrament, Bread made flesh by the omnipotence of the Word, Unbloody Sacrifice, Our Feast at once and our Fellow-guest, Sweetest Banquet, at which Angels minister, Sacrament of piety, Bond of charity, Priest and Victim. Spiritual Sweetness tasted

in its proper source.

Refreshment of holy souls, Viaticum of such as die in the Lord, Pledge of future glory, Be merciful. Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful. Graciously hear us, O Lord. From an unworthy reception of thy Body and Blood, O Lord, deliver us. From the lust of the flesh. From the lust of the eyes, From the pride of life, From every occasion of sin, Through the desire, wherewith thou didst desire to eat this Passover with thy disciples, Through that profound humility, wherewith thou didst wash their feet, Through that ardent charity, whereby thou didst institute this divine Sacrament, Through thy precious Blood. which thou hast left us on our altars. Through the Five Wounds of this thy most holy Body, which thou didst receive for us. We sinners, Beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to preserve and increase our faith, reverence, and devotion towards this admirable Sacrament. That thou wouldst vouchsafe to conduct

through a true confession of our sins, to a frequent reception of the holy Eucharist, That thou wouldst vouch-

safe to deliver us from Digitized by GOOGLE

all heresy, perfidy, and blindness of heart,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to impart to us the precious and heavenly fruits of this most holy Sacrament,

That at the hour of death thou wouldst strengthen and defend us by this heavenly Viaticum.

Son of God,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord,
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Y. Thou didst give them
Bread from heaven. [Alle-

luia.]
17. Containing in itself all sweetness. [Alleluia.]

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wondrous Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion; grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, that we may ever continue to feel within ourselves the blessed fruit of thy redemption. Who livest and reignest God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Litany of the Sacred Beart of Jesus.

Lord have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Heart of Jesus, Heart of Jesus, hypostatically united to the Eternal Word, Heart of Jesus, Sanctuary of the Divinity,

Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle

of the most holy Tri-

nity,

Heart of Jesus, Temple of all sanctity.

Heart of Jesus, Fountain of all grace,

Heart of Jesus, mos

Heart of Jesus, most humble,
Heart of Jesus, most obe-

dient, Heart of Jesus, most

chaste Heart of Jesus, Furnace of S

divine love,
Heart of Jesus, Source of contrition.

Heart of Jesus, Abyss of

wisdom,
Heart of Jesus, Ocean of
goodness,

Heart of Jesus, Throne of

Heart of Jesus, model of all virtues, Heart of Jesus, sorrowful

Heart of Jesus, sorrowful in the garden unto death,

Heart of Jesus, filled with reproaches, Heart of Jesus, broken for

our sins, Heart of Jesus, made obedient even unto death

dient even unto death upon the cross, Heart of Jesus, pierced by a lance,

Heart of Jesus, Refuge for sinners,

Heart of Jesus, Strength of the weak,

Heart of Jesus, Comfort of \$\circ\text{the afflicted,}\$ Heart of Jesus, Support of \$\circ\text{s}\$

the tempted, Heart of Jesus, Perseverance of the just,

Heart of Jesus, Hope of the dying,

Heart of Jesus, Joy of the blessed, Heart of Jesus, Delight of

all saints,

Lamb of God, who takest

away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest
away the sins of the
world.

Have mercy upon us, O Jesus.

y. O most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy upon us.

Ry. That we may worthily love thee with our whole hearts.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who glorify the most Sacred Heart of thy beloved Son, and commemorate the principal benefits which his love hath bestowed upon us, may both delight in so doing and may enjoy the fruits thereof. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Sacred Beart of Mary.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son Redeemen

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Heart of Mary, Pray for us.
Heart of Mary, according to

the Heart of God, Heart of Mary, united to the

Heart of Jesus,
Heart of Mary, organ of the
Holy Ghost,

Heart of Mary, sanctuary of the Divine Trinity,

Heart of Mary, tabernacle of God incarnate, Heart of Mary, immaculate from thy creation, Heart of Mary, full of grace, Heart of Mary, blessed among all hearts. Heart of Mary, throne of glory, Heart of Mary, abyss of humility, Heart of Mary, holocaust of divine love. Heart of Mary, fastened to the cross with Jesus crucified. Heart of Mary, comfort of the afflicted. Heart of Mary, refuge of sinners, Heart of Mary, hope of the agonising, of Mary, seat of Heart mercy Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world,
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Y. Immaculate Mary, meek
and humble of heart.

Ry. Make our heart according to the Heart of Jesus.

Let us pray. O most merciful God, who, for the salvation of sinners and the refuge of the miserable, wast pleased that the Immaculate Heart of the blessed Virgin Mary should be most like in charity and pity to the Divine Heart of thy Son Jesus Christ; grant that we, who commemorate this most sweet and loving Heart, may, by the merits and intercession of the same blessed Virgin, merit to be found according to the Heart of Jesus. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kitany of the Immaculate Conception.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us.
Christ practically hear us.
God the Father, Source of all sanctity,
God the Moly Ghost, Spirit of Sanctity,
God the Holy Ghost, Spirit of Sanctity,
Most sacred Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary, immaculate, Virgin of virgins, immaculate, Holy Virgin, by predestination immaculate,

Holy Virgin, in thy conception immaculate, Holy Virgin, after thy con-

Holy Virgin, after thy conception immaculate,

Daughter of the Father, simmaculate,
Mother of the Son, imma-

culate, Speuse of the Holy Ghost,

immaculate,

Seat of the most Holy Trinity, immaculate,

Image of the Wisdom of God, immaculate,

Dawn of the Sun of Justice, immaculate.

Living ark of the body of Christ, immaculate,

Daughter of David, immaculate,

Guide to Jesus, immacu-

Virgin, triumphing over original sin, immaculate,

Virgin, crushing the head of the serpent, immacu-

late,

Queen of heaven and earth, immaculate,

Gate of the heavenly Jerusalem, immaculate.

Dispenser of graces, immaculate, Spouse of St. Joseph, im-

maculate.

Star of the world, immacu - \$ late,

Impregnable tower of the Church militant, immaculate,

Rose amid thorns, immacu-

Olive of the fields, immaculate, Model of all perfection,

immaculate, Cause of our hope, imma-

culate, Pillar of our faith, imma-

culate, Source of divine love, immaculate,

Sure sign of our salvation, immacula**te,**

Rule of perfect obedience. immaculate,

Pattern of holy poverty, immaculate.

School of devotion, immaculate,

Abode of chaste modesty. immaculate,

Anchor of our salvation, immaculate,

Light of Angels, immaculate,

Crown of Patriarchs, im-

maculate. Glory of Prophets, imma-

culate, Lady and Mistress of Apostles, immaculate,

Support of Martyrs, immaculate,

Strength of Confessors, immaculate,

Diadem of Virgins, imma-

culate, Splendour of all Saints, immaculate,

Sanctity of all Christians, immaculate,

Companion of devout souls, immaculate. Joy of those who hope in

thee, immaculate, Health of the sick, imma-

culate, Advocate of sinners, im-

maculate. Terror of heretics, immaculate,

Protectress of all mankind. immaculate.

Patroness of those who honour thee, immacu-

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us. y. In thy conception, O

Virgin Mary, thou wast immaculate.

Ry. Pray for us to the Father, whose Son Jesus, conceived of the Holy Ghost, thou didst bring forth.

Let us pray.

O Almighty and Eternal God, who didst prepare for thy Son a worthy habitation,

by the immaculate conception of the blessed Virgin Mary; we beseech thee, that, as thou didst preserve her from every stain of sin, through the merits of the pre-ordained atonement of Jesus Christ, so thou wouldst grant, that we also may come witnout spot to thee. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Holy Name of Mary.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Son of Mary, hear us. Son of Mary, graciously hear us. Heavenly Father, of whom Mary is the Daughter, . Eternal Word, of whom Mary is the Mother. Holy Spirit, of whom Mary is the Spouse, Divine Trinity, of whom Mary is the Handmaid, Mary, Mother of the Living God, Pray for us. Mary, Daughter of the Light Eternal, Mary, our light, Mary, our sister, Mary, flower of Jesse, Mary, issue of kings, Mary, chief work of God. Mary, the beloved of God, Mary, immaculate virgin,

Mary, all fair, Mary, light in darkness. Mary, our sure rest. Mary, house of God, Mary, sanctuary of the Lord. Mary, altar of the Divinity, Mary, Virgin Mother, Mary, embracing thy Infant God, Mary, reposing with Eternal Wisdom, Mary, ocean of bitterness. Mary, suffering with thy only Son, Mary, pierced with a sword of sorrow, Mary, torn with a cruel wound, Mary, sorrowful even to death. Mary, bereft of all consolation, Mary, submissive to the law of God, Mary, standing by the cross of Jesus, Mary, our lady, Mary, our queen,

Pope Pius VI. granted an indulgence of one hundred days, to be gained each time the above versicle is recited with devotion and existing.

342Mary, queen of glory, Mary, glory of the Church triumphant, Mary, blessed queen, Mary, advocate of the Church militant. Mary, queen of mercy, Mary, consoler of the Church suffering, Mary, exalted above the Angels, Mary, crowned with twelve Mary, fair as the moon, Mary, bright as the sun, Mary, distinguished above all, Mary, seated at the right hand of Jesus, Mary, our hope, Mary, our sweetness, Mary, glory of Jerusalem, Mary, joy of Israel, Mary, honour of our people, Mary, our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Mary, our Lady of the Assumption, Mary, our Lady of Do-

Mary, our Lady of Victory, Mary, our Lady of La Trappe, Mary, our Lady of Mount & Carmel. Lamb of God, who didst rejoice Mary, Spare us, O Lord Jesus. Lamb of God, who didst afflict Mary, Graciously hear us, 10 Lord Jesus. Lamb of God, who didst glorify Mary, Have mercy on us, O Lord Jesus. Son of Mary, hear us. Son of Mary, graciously hear ▼. I will declare thy name unto my brethren. Ry. I will praise thee in the assembly of the faithful. Let us pray. O Almighty God, who beholdest thy servants earnestly desirous to place themselves under the shadow of the name and protection of the most holy Virgin Mary; vouchsafe, we beseech thee, that, by her charitable intercession, we may be delivered from all evil on earth, and may arrive at everlasting joys in heaven. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litanp of the Life of the Blessed Birgin Marp.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us.

lours,

sea,

sary,

Mary, our Lady of Mercy,

Mary, our Lady, Star of the

Mary, our Lady of the Ro-

Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Pray for us.

Holy Virgin, sprung from the race of David, Holy Virgin, espoused to

the just Joseph, Holy Virgin, bound by an

inviolable vow of chastity, Holy Virgin, gloriously sa-

luted by the Angel,

Holy Virgin, full of grace, Holy Virgin, blessed among all women,

Holy Virgin, conceiving by the operation of the Holy Ghost,

Holy Virgin, bearing in thy womb the Man-God,

Holy Virgin, Mother of the Lord,

Holy Virgin, Mother of the true Solomon,

Holy Virgin, visiting thy cousin Elizabeth, Holy Virgin, blest land,

whence sprung the Saviour,

Holy Virgin, holy through which the King of heaven alone may pass,

Holy Virgin, journeying to Bethlehem with spouse Joseph,

Holy Virgin, bringing into the world thy divine Son,

Holy Virgin, laying the Son of God in a manger.

Holy Virgin, visited by the shepherds, Holy Virgin, saluted by the

Magi,

Holy Virgin, presenting thy Son to be circumcised,

Holy Virgin, submitting to

the law of purification, Holy Virgin, offering thy

dear Son in the temple, Holy Virgin, flying into Egypt to save thy Child,

Holy Virgin, returning

from Egypt into the land of Israel,

Holy Virgin, leading an obscure life at Nazareth,

Holy Virgin, keeping the feasts prescribed by the law,

Holy Virgin, afflicted at the loss of thy Child, when he was twelve years old,

Holy Virgin, seeking thy child for three days sorrowing,

Holy Virgin, honouring with thy presence the marriage-feast of Cana,

Holy Virgin, graciously representing to thy Son the want of wine,

Holy Virgin, obtaining a miracle by thy interces

Holy Virgin, following thy Son in his ministrations, Holy Virgin, sharing the

sorrows of thy Son, Holy Virgin, standing at the foot of the cross,

Holy Virgin, confided by thy Son to the beloved disciple,

Holy Virgin, pierced with a sword of sorrow,

Holy Virgin, filled with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost,

Holy Virgin, called Blessed

by all generations, Holy Virgin, reigning in heaven,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

y. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Protect, O Lord, thy ser- Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

vants by thy gracious and abundant help, and grant that our confidence in the protection of the blessed Mary ever Virgin may obtain for us security against all enemies and all dangers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Litany of the Seben Bolours of the Blessed Birgin Mary.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Mother of dolours, Pray, &c. Thou who didst find no room in the inn. Who wast forced to take refuge in a stable, Who didst lay thy Firstborn in a manger, Who didst witness with compassion the Circum-

cision of thy Son,
Who didst hear that thy Son
was set as a sign that
should be contradicted,

Who didst hear that thine ownsoul should be pierced with a sword,

Who wast fain to fly into Egypt with thy Son, Who didst grieve for the murder of the Innocents, Who for three days didst seek sorrowing thy Son, lost in the Temple, when he was twelve years old,

Who didst painfully note the constant hatred of the Jews against Him,

Who, on the day of the Last Supper, didst bid a sad farewell to thy Son going to Jerusalem to suffer,

Who didst learn that He was betrayed by Judas,

and led away captive, Who didst see Him delivered up as a malefactor

to the chief priests,
Who didst hear that He was
falsely accused,

Who didst learn that His blessed face was struck with a fearful blow,

Who didst hear that He was most cruelly treated by the Jews and by the soldiers,

Who didst hear thy Son rejected for Barabbas.

Who didst behold Him beaten with scourges and crowned with thorns,

Who didst hear the unjust

sentence pronounced against Him,

Who didst go to meet thy loaded with the weight of the Cross,

Who didst hear His blessed hands and feet being pierced with dreadful nails.

Who didst receive the last words of thy Son upon the Cross.

Who didst stand by Him in

his agony,

Who didst receive into thy maternal bosom the lifeless body of thy Son, taken down from the Cross, Who, after the body of thy

Son was buried, didst return home all sad and desolate.

O Queen of martyrs,

O Mirror of the afflicted, O Comfort of the weak,

O Strength of the fearful, O Refuge of sinners,

Through the most bitter Passion and Death of thy Son, Deliver us, O Queen of Marturs.

Through the most poignant sorrows of thy heart,

Through thy exceeding sadness and desolation,

Through thy extreme anguish.

Through thy groans and tears,

Through thy maternal compassion,

Through thy most powerful patronage,

From immoderate sadness. From a pusillanimous spirit, From every occasion and danger of sin,

From the snares of the devil,

From hardness of heart, From impenitence, From sudden and unprepared-for death,

From eternal damnation,

We sinners. Beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to preserve us by thy patronage in true faith, hope, and charity,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for us from thy Son perfect sorrow and repentance for our

sins, That thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring consolation and assistance to those

who call upon thee, That thou wouldst vouchsafe to succour us in the

agony of death,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for us a happy end,

Mother of God. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us. Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

y. In all our tribulations and afflictions,

Ry. Succourus, O most blessed Virgin Mary...

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech thee, that the ble

ed Virgin Mary thy Mother, whose most sacred soul was pierced with the sword of sorrow in the hour of thy Passion, may intercede for us with thy meignest, Gomercy, now and at the hour of end. Amen.

our death, through thine own merits, O Jesus, Saviour of the world. Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, world without end. Amen.

Litany of the Boly Angels.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for us. Holy Mother of God, Holy Virgin of virgins, St. Michael, who wast ever the defender of the people of God,

St. Michael, who didst drive from heaven Lucifer and his rebel crew,

St. Michael, who didst cast down to hell the accuser of our brethren,

St. Gabriel, who didst expound to Daniel the heavenly vision.

St. Gabriel, who didst foretell to Zachary the birth and ministry of John the Baptist,

St. Gabriel, who didst announce to Mary the Incarnation of the Divine Word,

St. Raphael, who didst lead Tobias safe through his journey to his home again,

St. Raphael, who didst deliver Sara from the devil,
St. Raphael, who didst restore his sight to Tobias

the elder.

All ye holy Angels, who stand upon the high and lofty throne of God,

Who cry to him continually, Holy, holy, holy,

Who dispel the darkness of our minds, and give us light,

Who are the messengers of heavenly things to men,

Who have been appointed by God to be our guardians.

Who always behold the face of our Father who is in heaven,

Who rejoice over one sinner doing penance,

Who struck the Sodomites with blindness,

Who led Lot out of the midst of the ungodly,

Who ascended and descended on the ladder of Jacob.

Who delivered the divine law to Moses on mount Sinai,

Pray for us

Who brought good tidings when Christ was born, Who ministered to Him in

the desert,

Who comforted Him in his agony,

Who sat in white garments at His sepulchre,

Who appeared to the disciples as He went up into heaven,

Who shall go before Him bearing the standard of the Cross, when He cometh to judgment,

Who shall gather together the elect at the end of

the world.

Who shall separate the wicked from among the just,

Who offer to God the prayers of them that pray,

Who assist us at the hour of death,

Who carried Lazarus into Abraham's bosom,

Who conduct to heaven the souls of the just, cleansed from every stain,

Who perform signs and wonders by the power

_of God,

Who are sent to minister for those who shall receive the inheritance of salvation,

Who would cure Babylon, and when she will not be cured, depart and forsake her.

sake her, Who are set over kingdoms and provinces,

Who have often put to flight armies of enemies, Who have often delivered God's servants from prison, and other perils of this life, Who have often consoled the holy Martyrs in their torments,

who are wont to cherish with peculiar care the prelates and princes of the Church, and all that are under their charge,

All ye holy orders of blessed Spirits,

From all dangers,

Deliver us, O Lord, by thy holy Angels.

From the snares of the devil,

From all heresy and schism, From plague, famine, and war,

From sudden and unlook-

From everlasting death, We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us.
Through thy holy Angels,
That thou wouldst spare us,

That thou wouldst pardon us, That thou wouldst vouchsafe to govern and pre-

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to protect our Apostolic Prelate, and all ec-

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant peace and security to kings and all Christian princes,

clesiastical orders.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to give and preserve the fruits of the earth,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant eternal rest to all the faithful departed.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Our Father, &c. (secretly). Y. Bless the Lord, all ye his

Angels.

R. Ye that are mighty in strength, that fulfil his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his words.

y. Bless the Lord, all ye

his hosts,

Ry. Ye ministers of his, that do his will.

y. He hath given his Angels

charge concerning thee.

Ry. To keep thee in all thy

ways.

 The Angel of the Lord shall encamp round about them that fear him.

ly. And shall deliver them.

Ÿ. In the sight of the Angels will I sing unto thee, O
my God.

IV. I will worship toward thy holy temple, and will give praise unto thy name, O Lord.

y. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come

Ry. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, who dispensest the services of angels and men in a wonderful order; mercifully grant that our life may be protected on earth by those who always do thee service in heaven. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Holy Angel-Guardian.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Queen of Angels, Holy Angel, my guardian, Holy Angel, my prince, Holy Angel, my monitor, Holy Angel, my counsellor, Holy Angel, my defender, Holy Angel, my steward,

Holy Angel, my friend, Holy Angel, my negotiator, Holy Angel, my intercessor, Holy Angel, my patron, Holy Angel, my director, Holy Angel, my ruler, Holy Angel, my protector, Holy Angel, my comforter, Holy Angel, my brother, Holy Angel, my teacher, Holy Angel, my shepherd, Holy Angel, my witness, Holy Angel, my helper, Holy Angel, my watcher, Holy Angel, my conductor, Holy Angel, my preserver, Holy Angel, my instructor, Holy Angel, my enlight-

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

y. Pray for us, O holy An-

gel-guardian.
R. That we may be made

worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.
Almighty, everlasting God,

who, in the counsel of thy ineffable goodness, hast appointed to all the faithful, from their mother's womb, a special Angel-guardian of their body and soul; grant that I may so love and honour him whom thou hast so mercifully given me, that, protected by the bounty of thy grace, and by his assistance, I may merit to behold, with him and all the angelic host, the glory of thy countenance in the heavenly country. Who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER TO (NE'S ANGEL-GUARDIAN.

O most faithful companion, appointed by God to be my guardian, my protector and defender, and who leavest my side; how shall I thank thee for thy faithfulness and love, and for all the benefits which thou hast conferred upon me? Thou watchest over me while I sleep; thou comfortest me when I am sad; thou liftest me up when I am down: thou avertest the dangers that threaten me; thou warnest me of those that are to come; thou withdrawest me from sin, and excitest me to good; thou exhortest me to penance when I fall, and

reconcilest me to God. Long ago should I have been thrust down into hell, unless by thy prayers thou hadst turned away from me the anger of God. Leave me not, nor forsake me ever, I beseech thee: but still comfort me in adversity, restrain me in prosperity, defend me in danger, assist me in temptations, lest at any time I fall beneath them. Offer up in the sight of the Divine Majesty my prayers and groanings, and all my works of piety, and make me to persevere in grace. until I come to everlasting

Litany of St. Joseph.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of
the world,
God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Holy Mary, Pray for us.

Holy Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary, Nursing-father of Jesus, Man according to God's

own heart,

Faithful and prudent servant, Guardian of the virginity of

Mary,

Companion and solace of Mary, Most pure in virginity,

Most profound in humility, Most fervent in charity, Most exalted in contempla-

Most exalted in contemplation,
Who wast declared to be

a just man by the testimony of the Holy Ghost himself,

Who wast enlightened above all in heavenly mysteries,

Who wast the chosen minister of the counsels of the Most High,

Who wast taught from above the mystery of the Incarnate Word,

Who didst journey to Bethlehem with Mary, thy Spouse, being great with child.

Who, finding no place in the inn, didst betake thyself to a stable,

Who wast thought worthy to be present when Christ was born and laid in a manger,

Who didst bear in thine arms the Son of God,

Who didst receive the blood of Jesus at his Circumcision,

Who didst present him to the Lord in the Temple, with Mary his Mother,

Who, at the warning of the Angel, didst fly into Egypt with the Child and his Mother,

Who, when Herod was dead, didst return with them into the land of Is-

rael,

Who for three days, with Mary his Mother, didst seek sorrowing the Child Jesus, when he was lost at Jerusalem,

Who, after three days, didst flud him with joy sitting in the midst of the Doc-

tors,

Who hadst the Lord of lords subject to thee on the earth,

Who wast the happy witness of His hidden life and sacred words,

Who didst die in the arms of Jesus and Mary,

Whose praise is in the Gospel: The Husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus,

Humble imitator of the Incarnate Word,

Powerful support of the Church.

Our advocate, St. Joseph, hear us. Our patron,

St. Joseph, graciously hear us. In all our necessities, St. Joseph, help us.

In all our distresses, In the hour of death,

Through thy most chaste &

Through thy paternal care and fidelity, Through thy love of Jesus

and Mary,

Through thy labours and toils. Through all thy virtues,

Through thy exalted honour and eternal blessedness.

Through thy faithful intercession,

We, thy clients,

Beseech thee, hear us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for us from Jesus the pardon of our sins,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to commend us faithfully to Jesus and Mary,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for all, both virgins and married, the belonging chastity their state.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to obtain for all Congregations perfect love and concord.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to direct all rulers and prelates in the government of their subiects.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to assist all parents in the Christian education of their children.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to protect all those that rely upon thy patronage,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to support, with thy paternal help, all Congregations instituted under thy name and patronage, That thou wouldst vouchsafe to visit and stand by us, with Jesus and Mary, in the last moment of our life.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to succour, by thy prayers and intercession, all the faithful departed, O chaste Spouse of Mary,

O faithful Nursing-father of Jesus.

Holy Joseph. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God. who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us. y. Pray for us, O blessed Joseph.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who didst choose St. Joseph to be the Spouse of blessed Mary ever Virgin, and to be the Guardian and Nursing-father of thy beloved Son our Lord Jesus Christ; we humbly beseech thee to grant us, through his patronage and merits, such purity of mind and body, that, being clean from every stain, and clothed with the true marriage-garment, we may, by thy great mercy, be admitted to the heavenly nuptials. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of St. Anne.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, St. Anne, Pray for us. St. Anne, mother of the Virgin Mary,

St. Anne, spouse of Joachim, St. Anne, mother-in-law of Joseph,

St. Anne, ark of Noah, St. Anne, ark of the covenant,

St. Anna, mount Horeb, St. Anne, rod of Jesse, St. Anne, fruitful tree, St. Anne, fruit-bearing

vine, St. Anne, sprung from the blood of kings,

St. Anne, joy of Angels, St. Anne, grace of Patriarchs,

St. Anne, oracle of Prophets,

St. Anne, praise of all Saints,

St. Anne, glory of Priests

and Levites,
St. Anne, cloud full of dew,
St. Anne, cloud of light,
St. Anne, cloud of bright-

ness, St. Anne, vessel full of

grace, vessei full

St. Anne, mirror of obedience,

St. Anne, mirror of patience, St. Anne, mirror of compassion,

St. Anne, mirror of devo-

St. Anne, bulwark of the Church,

St. Anne, refuge of sinners, St. Anne, protectress of

Christians, St. Anne, deliverer of cap-

tives,
St. Anne, consolation of

the married, St. Anne, mother of widows, St. Anne, directress of vir-

gins,
St. Anne, harbour of safety
for voyagers.

for voyagers,
St. Anne, sure road for travellers,

St. Anne, support of the weak,
St. Anne, health of the

St. Anne, health of the

St. Anne, light of the blind, St. Anne, tongue of the dumb,

St. Anne, ear of the deaf, St. Anne, comforter of the afflicted,

St. Anne, succour of all those who call upon thee, Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Christ Jesus, hear us.

Christ Jesus, graciously hear

y. Pray for us, St. Anne. Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Oalmighty and eternal God, who didst youchsafe to choose St. Anne to bring into the world the Mother of thy only Son; mercifully grant to us, we beseech thee, who devoutly honour her memory, grace to obtain, through her merits, the blessings of eternal life. Who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER IN HONOUR OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN AND ST. ANNE.

Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; thy grace be with me. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed be St. Anne, thy Who liveth and reigneth God, mother, from whom thou

didst proceed without stain of sin, O Virgin Mary: and of thee was born Christ Jesus, Son of the living God. &c. Amen.

Litany of St. Francis Xabier.

Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. Have mercy upon us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world.

Have mercy upon us. God the Holy Ghost, Have mercy upon us. Holy Trinity, one God, Have mercy upon us.

Holy Mary, Holy Father Ignatius, St. Francis Xavier, most worthy son of St. Ignatius, St. Francis Xavier, Apostle of the Indies. St. Francis Xavier, Evan-S gelist of peace, St. Francis Xavier, Evangelist of all good, Vessel of election, carrying the name of Jesus to the Gentiles,

Vessel full of Divine grace,

1 Pius VII. granted one hundred days' indulgence to those who should say the above prayer, and a plenary indulgence on July 26th, to those who shall have recited it at least ten times a month.

354 Defender of the faith, Enemy of infidelity, Preacher of the truths of the gospel, Destroyer of idols, Chosen instrument of the Eternal Father for the advancement of the divine glory, Faithful follower and companion of Jesus Christ, Pillar of the Church of God, Light of infidels, Master of the faithful, Mirror of true piety, Guide in the way of virtue and perfection, Pattern of apostolic spirit and sanctity, Light of the blind. Cure of the lame, Help of the shipwrecked, Health of the sick, Protector in time of plague, famine, and war, Subduer of demons, Life of the dead, Whom the winds and the sea obeyed. Wonderful worker of mir racles, Refuge of the miserable, Comfort of the afflicted, Splendour of the East, Tabernacle of incorruption, Treasury of Divine love. Glory of the Society of Jesus, Xavier, most poer, Xavier, most chaste, Xavier, most obedient, Xavier, most humble, Xavier, most desirous of

the Cross and labours of Christ, Xavier, most watchful for the safety of thy neighbour. Xavier, most zealous for God's glory, and for the good of souls, Angel in life and manners, Patriarch in affection and care for God's people, Prophet in gift and spirit, Apostle in dignity and me-Doctor endowed with the gift of tongues in preaching to the Gentiles, Martyr through thy desire of dying for Christ, Confessor in virtue and profession of life, Virgin in body and mind, Thou, in whom we reverence through the divine goodness, the merits of all the saints, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest the sins of the away world. Have mercy upon **us**. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear ws. Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Our Father, &c. y. Pray for us, St. Francis Xavier.

ARVIET.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.
O Lord God, who didst

vouchsafe by the preaching and miracles of St. Francis Xavier to join unto thy Church the countries of the Indies; grant, we be seech thee, that we who reverence his glorious merits may also imitate his example. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of St. Francis Xavier, Hymn No. 64.

Litany of St. Aloysius Conjaga.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Hely Mary, Pray for us. Holy Virgin of virgins, Holy Mother of God, St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Full of the benedictions of God, Filled with the Holy Ghost, Most beloved of Christ. Delight of the Blessed Virgin, Most chaste youth, Angelical youth, Model of humility, Lover of poverty, Perfect in obedience.

Admirable in patience, Despiser of riches, Enemy of vanities, Scorner of dignities, Honour of princes, Gem of nobility, Flower of innocence, Mirror of mortification, Brilliant ornament of the

Company of Jesus,
Most tenderly devout,
Most zealous observer of
thy rule,
Most desirous of the salvation of souls,
Particular client of St. Ignatius,

Most worthy confessor of Jesus Christ, Most constant adorer of the

Holy Encharist,
Most devoted servant of the
Blessed Virgin,
Powerful in heaven.

Vanquisher of demons, Glory of youth, Patron of young students, Mirror of yirgins, Most sweet comforter of the afflicted.

Most sure resource of the

Burning light of the Church, Powerful worker of mira-

Our aid and our protector, Be merciful.

Spare us. O Lord. Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. From the lust of the eyes. From the lust of the flesh. From the pride of life, By the merits and interces-

sion of St. Aloysius, By his angelical purity, By his sanctity and glory. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. y. Pray for us, St. Aloysius.

By. That we may be made worthy of the promises Christ.

Let us pray.

O most holy Aloysius, who wast so happy as to be preserved, even from thy childhood, pure from all the contagions of the world, and didst constantly live for God alone; obtain for us by thy prayers, we beseech thee, that we may be able to die continually to this wicked world, and serve God with ardour and fidelity. Look

in pity on our miseries, and by thy protection keep us ever firmly attached to the law of the Lord. Extend over us thy favouring hand, and be our blessed succour, that by thy help we may escape the innumerable dangers of the world. and the cruel enemies of our salvation. Direct our hearts in the way of all those virtues of which thou hast given us so many and so just examples, to the end that, following in thy steps, we may be found worthy to praise God with thee on earth, and to chant his mercies through all eternity.

O holy Aloysius, adorned with angelic graces, I, thy most unworthy and devoted servant, recommend to thee especially the chastity of my soul and body. I beseech thee, by thy angelic purity, to commend me to the immaculate Lamb, Christ Jesus, and to his most holy Mother, Virgin of virgins, and to preserve me from every grievous sin. Permit me not to defile myself with any stain of impurity; and when thou shalt see me in temptation, or in danger of sinning, drive far from my heart all unclean thoughts and affections, and, awakening in me the remembrance of eternity and of Jesus crucified, engrave deeply in my heart a holy fear of God, and inflame me with divine love; so that, by imitating thee on earth, I may merit to be associated with thee in the enjoyment of God in heaven. Amen.

Litanp of St. Stanislas Kotska.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven,
Ged the Son, Redeemer of
the world,
God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Pray for us. Holy Mother of God, Holy Mary, conceived without sin.

St. Stanislas Kotska,
Destined to the service of
God from thy conception,

Faithful follower of Jesus Christ,

Well-beloved child of Mary, Called by her to the Company of Jesus,

Faithful to the vocation and grace of God,

Most worthy son of St. Ignatius,

Fair ornament of the Company of Jesus,

Model and patron of novices.

Enemy of the world and of its riches,

Contemner of human glory, Severe chastiser of thine innocent flesh,

Admirable in thy matchless purity,

Vanquisher of every evil passion,

Exact observer of religious discipline,

Devout adorer of the Sacrament of the Altar, Treasure of heavenly graces, Mirror of obedience, humi-

lity, and patience, Model of candour, modesty

and piety,
Ardent lover of evangeli-

cal poverty,
Wise above thy years,
Lover of brotherly charity,

Penetrated with self-con-

Victim of divine love, Example of Christian youth, Honoured with the sensible Presence of the Infant

Jesus, An angel in thy life and

manners, Fed by Angels with bread

from heaven,
An apostle in zeal and
merits,

A martyr in faith and in desire.

A confessor in constant piety,

Ushered into heaven amid a choir of virgins,

Perfect in all virtues, notwithstanding thy short life,

The ornament and glory of thy ancestors.

thy ancestors, The stay and prop of

thrones, The refuge and the safety of all who call upon

thee, Illustrious in the miracles

wrought both before and after thy decease, Most blessed citizen of the

Nost blessed citizen of the heavenly Jerusalem.

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Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Y. Pray for us, St. Stanis-

las.
Ry. That we may be made

worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who, amongst other miracles of thy wisdom, hast bestowed even in tender age the grace of matured sanctity; grant, we beseech thee, that, redeeming the time by instant labour, after the example of blessed Stanislas, we may hasten to enter into eternal rest. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Aitany of St. Gincent of Paul.1

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Pray for us. St. Vincent of Paul, St. Vincent, who at the tenderest age didst display a wisdom most mature, St. Vincent, who, from thy childhood, wast full of pity and compassion, St. Vincent, who, like David, from a simple shepherd becamest the ruler

and pastor of the people of God,

St. Vincent, who in thy captivity didst preserve a perfect freedom,

St. Vincent the just man, who livedst by faith,

St. Vincent, always supported on the firm anchor

of a Christian hope, St. Vincent, always inflamed with the fire of charity,

St. Vincent, truly simple, upright, and fearing God,

St. Vincent, true disciple of Jesus Christ, always meek and humble of heart.

St. Vincent, perfectly mortified in heart and mind,

St. Vincent, ever animated with the spirit of Jesus Christ,

St. Vincent, generous main-

This Litany is intended especially for the members of the Brod of St. Vincent of Paul. tainer of the glory of God,

St. Vincent, ever inwardly burning, and ever outwardly transported, with zeal for souls.

St. Vincent, who in Christian poverty didst find the precious pearl, and the rich treasure of the Gospel,

St. Vincent, like to the angels in thy purity,

Vincent, ever faithful in obedience, and ever victorious in word,

St. Vincent, from thy earliest years constantly devoted to works of charity,

St. Vincent, who didst fly with most diligent care the slightest appearance of evil,

St. Vincent, who, in all thine actions, didst aspire to the practice of the most perfect virtue,

St. Vincent, who, like a rock, remainedst immovable amidst the stormy sea of this world.

St. Vincent, who, constant as the sun in its course. wentest ever onward in the paths of truest wisdom,

St. Vincent, always invincible by all the arrows of adversity,

St. Vincent, as patient in suffering as thou wast indulgent in forgiving,

St. Vincent, ever docile and obedient son of the holy Roman Church.

St. Vincent, who hadst exceeding horror of the novel ways and subtle words of heresy.

St. Vincent, destined by a special Providence to announce the Gospel to the poor,

St. Vincent, tender father and perfect model of ec-

clesiastics,

St. Vincent, prudent founder of the Congregation of the Mission,

St. Vincent, wise institutor of the order of the Sisters

of Charity,

St. Vincent, always tender in compassionating, and always prompt in relieving, all the necessities of the poor,

St. Vincent, equally fervent in the practice of prayer and in the ministry of the

word,

St. Vincent, perfect imitator of the life and virtues of Jesus Christ,

St. Vincent, who didst persevere to the end in eschewing evil and doing good,

St. Vincent, who, as in life so in death, wast most precious in the sight of

[St. Vincent, who by the knowledge of absolute truth, by the love of sovereign goodness, by the joys of a blessed eternity, possessest perfect happiness,

Pray for the members of the Church, and especially for the members of this brother-

hood.

Lamb of God, who takestaway the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

V. The Lord hath led the just man through right ways.
 R. And shewed anto him

the kingdom of God.

Let us pray.

Great God, who, by an effect of thine infinite goodness, hast renewed, in our days, in the apostolic charity and humility of the blessed servant

Vincent, the spirit of thy well-beloved Son, to preach the Gospel to the poor, relieve the afflicted, console the miserable, and add new lustre to the ecclesiastical order; grant, we beseech thee, through his powerful intercession, that we also, being delivered from the great misery of sin, may labour to please thee by the practice of the same humility. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, &c. Amen.

Litany for the Faithful Beparted.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ bear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on the souls of the faithful departed. God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Holy Mother of God, Holy Virgin of virgins, St. Michael, All ye Angels and Archangels, All ye orders of Blessed Spirits, St. John Baptist, St. Joseph, All ye holy Petriarchs and Prophets, 22 Peter,

St. Paul, St. John, All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists, St. Stephen, St. Laurence, All ye holy Martyre, St. Gregory, St. Ambrose, St. Augustine, St. Jerome, All ye holy Bishops and Confessors, All ye holy Doctors, All ye holy Priests and Levites, All ye holy Monks and Hermits, St. Mary Magdalen, St. Catherine, St. Barbara, All ye holy Virgins and Widows, All ye Saints of God, Be merciful. Spare them, O Lord. Be merciful.

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Graciously hear us, O Lord.

From all evil,
O Lord, deliver them. From thy wrath,
O Lord, deliver them.
From the rigour of thy justice,

tice,
O Lord, deliver them.
From long-enduring sor-

row,
From cruel flames,
From intolerable cold,
From horrible darkness,
From weeping and wailing,
Through thine admirable

Conception,
Through thy most hely
Nativity,

Through thy most sweet Name, Through thy Baptism and

holy Fasting,
Through thy most profound

Humiliation,
Through thy prompt Obe-

dience,
Through thine infinite

Love, Through thy Sorrow and

Anguish, Through thy Bloody Sweat, Through thy Bonds,

Through thy Scourging, Through thy Crowning with thorns,

Through thy Carrying of the Cross,

Through thy most cruel Death, Through thy Five most

holy Wounds,
Through thy most bitter
Cross and Passion,

Through thy holy Resurrection,

Through thine admirable Ascension,

Through the coming of the Holy Ghost the Paraclete, In the day of judgment, We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us.

Thou who forgavest Magdalen, and hearkenedst to
the prayer of the thief,

Thou who savest freely

thine elect, Thou who hast the keys of

death and hell,
That thou wouldst be pleased to deliver the souls
of our parents, relations,
friends, and benefactors,
from the pains of hell,

That thou wouldst be pleas-

ed to have mercy on those of whom no special remembrance is made on earth,

That thou wouldst be pleas-

That thou wouldst be pleased to grant them all the pardon and remission of their sins,

That thou wouldst be pleased to fulfil all their de-

sires,
That thou wouldst be pleased to receive them into
the company of the Bless-

ed, King of awful majesty,

Son of God, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Grant unto them rest.

Lamb of God, who takestaway

the sins of the world,

Grant unto them rest.

Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world,

Grant unto them rest everlast:

Grant unto them rest everlast ing.

Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
From the gate of hell,
Deliver their souls, O Lord.

O Lord, hear my prayer.

And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant unto the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins; that, by pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired. Grant this, O God, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

O eternal God, who, besides the general precept of charity, hast commanded a particular respect to parents, kindred, and benefactors; grant, we besench thea, that, as they were the instruments by which thy providence bestowed on us our birth, education, and innumerable other blessings, so our prayers may be the means to obtain for them a speedy release from their excessive sufferings, and free admittance to thine infinite joys. Through Jesus, &c.

y. Eternal rest give unto

them, O Lord.

Ry. And let perpetual light

shine upon them.

y. May they rest in peace. R. Amen.

Another Litany for the Faithful Beparted.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Jesus receive our prayers.
Lord Jesus, grant our petitions.
O God the Father, Creator of the world,
Have mercy on the souls of the faithful departed.
O God the Son, Redeemer of

Deliver the souls of the faithful departed.

O God the Holy Ghost, Perfecter of the elect,
Accomplish the bliss of the

mankind,

Accomplish the bliss of the souls of the faithful de-

O sacred Trinity, Three Persons and One God, Give rest to the souls of the faithful departed.

Blessed Virgin Mary, who, by a special privilege of grace, wast triumphantly assumed into the kingdom of thy Son,

Blessed Angels, who, erdering aright the first act of your will, were immediately settled in an unchangeable state of felicity,

Blessed Patriarchs, whose spirits were filled with joy, when the Desired of all nations brought redemption to your long captivity;

Blessed Prophets who

having patiently awaited the coming of the Messias, were at length refreshed with the happy visit of his divine Person,

O all ye blessed Saints, who, after the glorious Resurrection of your Saviour, were by him translated from the bosom of Abraham to the clear vision of God.

Blessed Apostles, who, at the last and terrible day, shall sit on the twelve thrones, judging the tribes of Israel,

Elessed Disciples of our Lord, who, following his sacred steps in the narrow path of perfection, went straight on to the heaventy Jerusalem,

Elessed Martyrs, who, passing through the red sea of your own blood, without journeying through a tedious wilderness, entered immediately into the Land of Promise,

Bleased Confessors, who, despising the vanities here below, and placing your affections on the joys above, are arrived at the full possession of all your desires,

Blessed Virgins, who, watching continually with your lamps prepared, were ready, at the first voice of the chaste. Spouse of heaven, to enter with him into the marriage-chamber,

O all ye holy Saints, who, not retaining at your death the least tregular adherence to any creature, were perfectly capable of an immediate union with your Creator,

Be merciful, O Lord,
And pardon their sins.
Be merciful, O Lord,
And hear our prayers.
From the shades of death,
where they sit, deprived
of the blissful light of thy
countenance.

From the evils to which their defective mortifications in this world have exposed them in the

other, From thine anger, which now too late they grieve

to have provoked by their negligence and ingrati-

tude,
From the bonds of sin,

wherein they remain entangled by the disorder of their affections,

From the pains of Purgatory, justly inflicted on them as the proper effects of their sins,

From that dreadful prison, whence there is no release till they have paid the last farthing.

From all their torments, incomparably greater than the sharpest pains of this life.

By thy never-failing mercy and compassion towards the frailties of human nature,

By the infinite merits of thy death upon the Cross, where theu reconciledst the world to thy Father,

By thy victorious Descent into Chellic to break

asunder the chains of death, and free such as were imprisoned,

By thy glorious Resurrection from the grave, when thou openedst the kingdom of heaven to believers,

By thy triumphant Ascension into heaven, when thou ledst captivity captive, and promisedst to prepare a place for thy servants,

By thy dreadful Coming to judge the world, when the works of every one shall be tried by fire,

We sinners, Beseech thee, hear us.

That it would please thee to hasten the day of visiting thy faithful, detained in the receptacles of sorrow, and transport them to the City of eternal

peace, That it would please thee to shorten the time of expiation of their sins. graciously admit and them into thy holy sanctuary, where no unclean thing can enter.

That it would please thee, through the prayers and alms of thy Church, and especially through the adorable Sacrifice of thy Altar, to receive them into the tabernacles of rest, and crown their longing hopes with everlasting fruition,

That the blessed vision of Jesus may comfort them. and the glorious light of his cross shine upon them, That thy holy Angels may bring them into the land of the living, and the glorious Queen of Saints present them before thy throne,

That the venerable Patriarchs may meet them, and all the ancient Prophets rejoice to see them,

That the sacred college of Apostles may open to them the gates of bliss, and the victorious army of Martyrs conduct them to thy palace,

That the blessed company of Confessors may place them in seats of eternal glory, and the chaste train of Virgins, with heavenly anthems, congratulate their reception,

That the whole triumphant Church may celebrate the jubilee of their deliverance, and all choirs of Angels sing hymns of joy for their new and never-ending

happiness, That, in the midst of all these triumphs, the souls that are delivered may themselves adore the glorious Author of their happiness, and in their white robes eternally sing: Alleluia! salvation to our God, who sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb that redeemed us by his blood, and made us kings to reign with him for ever,

Son of God,

Lamb of God, who wilt come with glory to judgetheliving and the dead.

faithful departed.

Lamb of God, at whose presence the earth shall be moved. and the heavens melt away,

Give rest to the souls of the

faithful departed.

Lamb of God, in whose blessed book of life all their names are written.

Give eternal rest to the souls of the faithful departed.

Ant. Deliver us, O Lord, from death eternal in that

Give rest to the souls of the tremendous day, when the heavens shall be moved and the earth: when thou shalt come to judge the world by

that tremendous day.

Ry. And place us with the Blessed at thy right hand for ever.

Ry. And let my cry come

to thee.

Pravers as above, p. 362.

Litany of Penance.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world. God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, God of all goodness, who willest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live, Who pardonedst not the Angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell

for all eternity,

Who, when Adam fell, didst call him to confession and repentance for his sin, Who didst preserve Noah from the flood, and from the lot of the ungodly, by saving him in the ark,

Who didst draw Lot from the midst of sinners,

Who, softened by prayers of Moses, didst forgive the sins of the backsliding people,

Who didst pardon the sin of David, after his confession and repentance,

Who didst spare Achab when he humbled himself in penance,

Who didst graciously hear the penitent Manasses, and establish hime on his throne,

Who didst grant pardon to the Ninevites, when they did penance for their sins in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes.

Who didst succour the Machabees, when they fasted and lay in ashes,

Who didst command thy priests to weep, and pray, and offer sacrifice for the people,

Who didst come into the world to save sinners.

Who, when thou wouldst redeem the world, didst send as thy messenger John Baptist, the preacher of penance.

Who didst fast forty days

and forty nights, Who didst prevent, with thy grace, Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom, Who didst bear witness

that the Publican, humbly striking his breast, was justified,

Who didst deliver the paralytic from his infirmity, when thou hadst forgiven him his sins,

Who, by the example of the Prodigal son, didst offer to sinners the hope of

pardon,

Who didst make known to the woman of Samaria the fountain of living water,

Who didst bring salvation to the house of Zacheus, repeating of his sins, and making restitution fourfold,

Who didst exercise mercy in behalf of the woman taken in adul-

tery,

Who didst receive publicans and sinners, and didst eat with them.

Who didst forgive Magdalen her many sins, because she loved much.

Who, looking tenderly on Peter, who denied thee, didst bring him to compunction and to tears,

Who didst promise Paradise to the penitent thief, Who lovest all thy creatures, and hatest nothing

that thou hast made, Who givest to sinners both place and time for repent-

Who didst come to seek and to save that which was lost,

Who hast pity on all men, and hidest the sins of those who truly repent,

Who wouldst have mercy, and not sacrifice.

Who, when we repent, rememberest our sins no more,

God, most merciful and patient, tender and lovingkind, no**t withstanding all** our sins,

We sinners.

Beseech the**e, kear us.**

That thou wowldst vouchsafe to lead us to a true repentance,

That we may judge ourselves, and so escape thy judgment,

That we may bring forth in due time worthy fruits of penance,

That, denying ungodliness and worldly desires, we may live seberly, justly, and godly,

That sin may not reign in our mertal bedy,

That we may not love the world, nor the things of the world,

That we may work out our salvation with fear and trembling,

Son of God, Digitized by GOOGLO Lamb of God, who takest sway the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.

y. O Lord, hear our prayer.
Ry. And let our ery come

Let us pray.

O most gracious and most merciful God, look with compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, and sustain our endeavours by thy grace, that, through thy boundless mercy, we may obtain the pardon of all our sins, persevere constantly in thy service, and in the end attain unto everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, &c. Ames.

Litang. of Intercession for England.

Remember not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our fathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy. Jesus, receive our prayers. Lord Jesus, receive our petitions. God the Tather, Creator of the world, God the Son, Redeemer of mankind, God the Hely Ghost, Perfector of the elect, Holy Trinity, three Persons and one God, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for England.

Holy Mary, Queen of An- &

gels, who alone destroyest all heresies,

Holy Mary, Virgin of virgins,* whose eminent sanctity our Lord hath honoured with so many miracles.

St. Michael,* prince of the

Church,
St. Gabriel,* glorious messenger of our Saviour's
Incarnation,

St. Raphael faithful guide of those who have lost their way,

Holy Angel, to whose pious custody this province is committed,

All ye holy Angels and blessed Spirits of heaven,* who celebrate with joy the conversion of sinners,

St. John Baptist,* precur-

1 Commonly used on a Thursday.

This Lisesy may be absided by terminating each invocation at the asterisk.

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sor of the Messias, and great example of pen-

All ye holy Patriarchs and . Prophets,* friends of God, and advancers of his truth.

St. Peter,* prince of the Apostles, and supreme pastor of Christ's sheep, St. Paul,* doctor of the

Gentiles, who, of a perbecamest secutor, preacher,

St. Andrew,* first disciple of Christ, and constant lover of the cross, All ye holy Apostles and

Evangelists,* chief planters of the Christian faith, and zealous maintainers of Catholic unity,

St. George, our principal patron,

St. Alban, our first martyr, St. Thomas of Canterbury, who, as a faithful shepherd, laidst down thy life in defence of the Church, All ye holy Martyrs of this

nation, * who voluntarily lost your lives here to find them in a joyful eter-

nity,

St. Gregory, most vigilant Bishop of the Universal Church,* whose pious zeal sent missioners from Rome for the conversion of our ancestors,

St. Augustin, Apostle of this nation,* by whom our forefathers were reclaimed from paganism and infidelity,

St. Bede, most venerable Confessor,* by whose religious life and learned writings the Catholic faith was eminently propagated amongst us,

All ye holy Bishops and Confessors, by whose wisdom and sanctity this island was once a flourishing seminary of religion,

St. Helen, most holy queen,* and mother of the first

Christian emperor,

St. Ursula, most blessed martyr,* who diedst in the glorious defence of faith and chastity,

St. Winefride, mest admirable virgin,* even in this unbelieving generation

still miraculous,

All ye holy Saints of this nation.* who, amidst the innumerable joys of heaven, still retain a particular charity for the salvation of your country,

All ye holy Saints of all places,* who, though divided here in several regions, were united in the same faith, and now enjoy one common felicity.

Be merciful,

Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. From the dangers most

justly threatening

From the spirit of pride, rebellion, and apostacy,

From the spirit of hypocrisy, profaneness, and sacrilege,

From the presumption of private opinion, and contempt of the authority of thy Church,

From schism, heresy, and all blindness of heart.

From gluttony, drunkenness, and the false liberty of an undisciplined life, Deliver England, O Lord. We sinners,

Beseech thee, hear us.

That it may please thee to hasten the conversion of this our miserable country, and reunite it to the ancient faith and communion of thy Church.

That it may please thee particularly to have merry on our relations, friends, and benefactors, and open their eyes to see the beanty of thy trath, and embrace it,

That it may please thee to comfort and strengthen thy servants, who suffer for the Catholic faith.

That it may please thee not to permit the weakest of us, by any temptation whatsoever, to fall away from thee and thy truth, That it may please thee to

That it may please thee to assist with thy special grace those good pastors who venture their lives for their flock,

That it may please thee daily to augment in them the fire of thy love and the seal of gaining souls,

That it may please thee to preserve the Catholics of this land from all sin and scandal,

That it may please thee so to adorn their lives with solid piety, that others, seeing their good works, may glerify thee our heavenly Father,

That it may please thee to enlighten the hearts of

all schismatics with thy powerful grace,

That it may please thee to shew them the danger of their state, and the great importance of eternal salvation,

vation,
That it may please thee mercifully to look down from
heaven on the tears of
the afflicted, and the
blood of so many martyrs, who have spent their
lives, and suffered death
to convert us to thee.

Son of God, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away

the sins of the world, Have mercy on us. Christ hear us.

Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose judgments are righteous and counsels unsearchable; who visitest the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation, and yet at length rememberest mercy; forgive, we beseech thee, the sins of our forefathers, and turn away thy wrath from their posterity: deliver the ignorant from being seduced by false teachers, and the learned from being abused by their passions, and the whole nation from the spirit of contradiction, licentiousness, and discord; that instead of so many divisions and changes in par-

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gion, under which they labour, they may be again restored to that unity of mind, steadiness of faith, and tranquillity of conscience, which is no where

to be sought but in the communion of thy Church, no. possible to be found but by the conduct of thy grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Litany of our Lady of Sorrows. 1

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison. Christe audi nos. Christe exaudi nos. Pater de cœlis Deus, mundi Fili Redemptor Deus, Spiritus Sancte Deus, Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus, Sancta Maria, Ora pro nobis. Sancta Dei Genitrix. Sancta Virgo virginum, Mater crucifixa, Mater dolorosa, Mater lacrymosa, Mater afflicta, Mater derelicta, Mater desolata, Mater filio orbata, Mater gladio transverber-Mater corumnis confecta, Mater angustiis repleta,

Mater cruci corde affixa. Mater mæstissima. Fons lacrymarum, Cumulus passionum, Speculum patienties, Rupes constantize, Ancora confidentia, Refugium derelictorum, Clypeus oppressorum, Debellatrix incredulorum. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy Lord have mercy. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, Pray for us. Holy Mother of God, Holy Virgin of virgins, Mother crucified, Mother sorrowful, Mother tearful, Mother afflicted, Mother forsaken, Mother desolate. Mother bereft of thy child, Mother transfixed with the sword, Mother consumed grief, Mother filled with anguish, Mother crucified in heart, Mother most sad, Fountain of tears, Mass of suffering, Mirror of patience,

Rock of constancy,

Anchor of confidence,

Refuge of the forsaken, Shield of the oppressed,

Subduer of the unbelieving.

¹ This Litany was written by Pius VII. in his captivity, who granted belonary indulgance to all who recite it with a contrite heart on tys.

Solatium miserorum. Medicina languentium, Fortitudo debilium. Portus naufragantium, Sedatio procellarum, Recursus mœrentum. Terror insidiantium. Thesaurus fidelium, Oculus Prophetarum, Baculus Apostolorum, Corona Martyrum, Lumen Confessorum, Margarita Virginum, Consolatio Viduarum, Lætitia Sanctorum omnium, Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Parce nobi**s**. Jesu. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.

Ezaudi nos. Jesu.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Miserere nobis, Jesu.

Respice super nos, libera nos, salva

nos ab omnibus angustiis in virtute Jesu Christi. Amen.

Scribe, Domina, vulnera tua in corde meo, ut in eis legam dolorem et amorem : dolorem, ad sustinendum pro te omnem dolorem; amorem, ad contemnendum pro te omnem amorem.

Comfort of the wretched. Medicine of the sick. Strength of the weak, Harbour of the wrecked, Allayer of tempests, Resource of mourners. Terror of the treacherous, Treasure of the faithful, Eye of Prophets, Staff of Apostles, Crown of Martyrs, Light of Confessors. Pearl of Virgins. Consolation of Widows. Joy of all Saints, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Jesus. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Jesus. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us, O Jesus. Look down upon us, deliver us, and save us from all trouble in the power of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Imprint, O Lady, thy wounds upon my heart, that I may read therein sorrow and love: sorrow, to endure every sorrow for thee: love, to despise every love for thee.

Credo. Salve regina. Three Ave Marias, in honour of the most holy heart of Mary.

Litany of St. Alphonsus.

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven, Hare mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us. God the Holy Ghost, Have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, one God, Have mercy on us. Holy Mary, conceived without original sin, Pray for us.

St. Alphonsus Mary,

St. Alphonsus Mary, model of piety from thy infancy, St. Alphonsus Mary, always

free from mortal sin, St. Alphonsus Mary, de-

spiser of the vanities and riches of the world.

St. Alphonsus Mary, rich in Christian poverty,

St. Alphonsus Mary, thirsting for the salvation of souls.

St. Alphonsus Mary, implacable enemy of heresy, St. Alphonsus Mary, glory of priests and pontiffs,

St. Alphonsus Mary, most tender lover of the Infant Jesus,

St. Alphonsus Mary, inflamed with divine ar- 3 dour during the Holy Sacrifice, St. Alphonsus Mary, most

devoted in evangelising the poor,

St. Alphonsus Mary, new ornament of religion, St. Alphonsus Mary, ardent

defender of ecclesiastical discipline,

St. Alphonsus Mary, most zealous in obedience to the Roman Pontiff,

St. Alphonsus Mary, most watchful guardian of thy flock,

St. Alphonsus Mary, author of most wise laws for the government of thy Church,

St. Alphonsus Mary, renowned for the gifts of miracles and prophecy,

St. Alphonsus Mary, Apostle in labours and success,

St. Alphonsus Mary, martyr in the wonderful austerity of thy life,

St. Alphonsus Mary, most fervent adorer of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

St. Alphonsus Mary, most sorrowful contemplator of our Lord's Passion,

St. Alphonsus Mary, honoured with an apparition of the Blessed Virgin while preaching,

St. Alphonsus Mary, angel in life and manners,

St. Alphonsus Mary, patriarch in pastoral solicitude for God's people,

St. Alphonsus Mary, confessor by thy most holy works,

St. Alphonsus Mary, virgin in body and mind, St. Alphonsus Mary, Foun-

der of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, St. Alphonsus Mary, model

of missionaries, St. Alphonsus Mary, our

most loving father and protector,

Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world.

Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

y. Pray for us, O blessed Alphonsus Mary.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. O God, who by blessed Alphonsus Mary, thy Confessor and Bishop, inflamed with zeal for souls, didst render thy Church fruitful in a new progeny; we beseech thee

that, taught by his salutary admonitions, and strengthened by his example, we may happily be enabled to arrive at the possession of thee. Through Christ our Lord.

Litany of the Wolv Mass.

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

O God the Father, Creator of the world, O God the Son, Redeemer of mankind, O God the Holy Ghost, perfecter of the

elect.

O adorable Trinity, in Three Persons, One

Jesus, who, being from all eternity in the form of God, didst, at thy Incarnation, take upon thee the form of a servant and become like unto man,

Jesus, who for our sakes didst become obedient unto death, even the death of the CTOSS,

Jesus, who, ascending to thy Father, wouldst not leave us orphans, but wouldst still continue with us under the sacramental · veils,

Jesus, the Tree of Life, of which whosoever eateth shall live for ever.

Jesus, the Paschal Lamb, by whose blood we are saved from the sword of the destroying angel,

Jesus, the bread from heaven, containing in thyself all sweetness,

Jesus, the Priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech,

Phil. ii. 7.

Phil, ii, 8.

John xiv. 18.

Gen. ii. 22.

Exod. xii. 13. Wisd. xvi. 20.

Psalm xix.

Jesus, who, having offered up this sacrifice on Mount Calvary, by the effusion of thy blood, continuest to offer up the same in an unbloody manner upon our altars until the end of the world.

Have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us, O Jesus. And pardon our sins.

Have mercy on us, O Jesus.

And hear our prayers.

From opposing the uncertain testimony of our senses to the infallible truth of thy Word,

From a loathing of this heavenly manna, and from receiving \infty it to our own condemnation.

From slighting this adorable sacrifice, and from assisting at it with irreverence and distraction, Through thy irresistible power, which changes the course

of nature as thou pleasest, Through thy infinite goodness, for which no miracles are

too great to testify thy love for us, Through all the mysteries of thy life and passion, and especially through the sacrifice of thyself on the cross,

We sinners Beseech thee hear us.

That thou, O Eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, wouldst accept of this kolocaust of himself, which he here offers thee, in testimony of thy being the Master of life and death, the Lord of us and all things.

That thou wouldst accept of this eucharistic sacrifice in thanksgiving for thy creating, preserving, and sanctifying us; for making us members of thy holy Catholic Church, and for every other favour thou hast bestowed

upon us.

That thou wouldst receive it in commemoration of the incarnation, birth (manifestation transfiguration passion), life, and death, as also of the resurrection and ascension of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of his institution of this ?

adorable sacrament and sacrifice,

That thou wouldst receive it in thanksgiving for thy graces > and glory conferred on the Virgin Mary (whose conception -birth-annunciation-amumption-festival we celebrate this day), and on all the holy angels and saints in heaven (particularly of the holy Apostle-Martyr-Confessor-Virgin - Widow - St. N., whose festival we celebrate this day).

That thou wouldst accept of this propitiatory sacrifice as a sin-offering, to atone for our many grievous sins, and our abuse of thy divine graces, and to avert thy heavy judg-

ments, which we have thereby provoked,

That thou wouldst accept of it in reparation for all the sacrileges, blasphemies, and other sins committed throughout the world, and especially for those perpetrated against

these adorable mysteries.

That thou wouldst receive it in satisfaction for the sufferings due to thy justice by the faithful departed, especially our deceased parents, relations, and benefactors (and more especially for N. N., lately deceased, or whose anniversary we commemorate), that they may be released from their torments, and admitted to the blissful sight of thee,

That through this imperatory sacrifice thou wouldst protect and exalt the hely Catholic Church, enlighten & the hearts of infidels, heretics, and schismatics, and reclaim all sinners, especially of this congregation, from \$ the ways of death in which they are walking,

That through it thou wouldst pour down thy special graces & on the Catholics of this land, so that leading lives worthy of their faith, they may be a light to direct others into

the road that leads to thee.

That by means of it thou wouldst fill us with thy blessings for soul and body, enabling us to repress the vices we are most subject to, and to acquire the virtues we stand most in need of.

That thou wouldst impart the efficacy of this most acceptable oblation, according as they stand in need of it, to our relations, benefactors, friends, and enemies; to our supreme Pastor, N.; to our Bishop, N., and all his clergy; to our temporal rulers, and to the nation in general,

Son of God.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Hear us, O Lord,

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us. O Lord.

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Our Father, &c.

Let us pray.

O most wise and bountiful Lord, who in this great sacrifice of the New Law hast accumulated thy former mercies, and hast caused it to answer the ends of all the ancient sacrifices; graciously hear the manifold petitions which, through the

same, we now present to thee. Look not upon us, O Lord, but upon the divine Victim that is presented to thee, even thy beloved Son, in whom thou art always well pleased, and, for his sake, grant us whatever we ask of thee; who with the same Son and Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, &c. Amen.

Eternal God, who, by a succession of illustrious types and ceremonies, didst, from the beginning of the world, prefigure this adorable sacrifice, in order to raise in us a suitable idea of its importance, and who didst require so great a preparation and such legal expiations from those who offered up sheep and oxen, to signify the purity and sanctity we ought to bring with us to this oblation of thy divine Son; grant us, we beseech thee, the necessary dispositions for assisting at Mass worthily. Cleanse our consciences from the filth of sin, and clothe them with the robe of charity, that we may not deserve to be cast out from this heavenly feast. Dispel every shadow of infidelity or diffidence from our minds, that no objection of our weak understandings may rise up against thy all-powerful word. Banish all distractions from our imagination, that no concern of the world may draw our attention from the great action performed on the altar, at which the angels assist with awe. Drive away all tepidity from our hearts, that thy condescension in this wonderful sacrifice may not cause us to look upon it with less veneration, nor thy facility in admitting us so frequently to it make us assist at it with less devotion. And oh, that we were all of us worthy to partake of this divine Victim, by actually receiving him into our breasts! Grant, at least, that we may all spiritually receive him by the communication of his graces. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

O spotless Virgin, whose divine Son is at the same time the Victim and the Priest in this adorable sacrifice; pray that our unworthiness may not deprive us of the inestimable benefits therein contained. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amer

All ye blessed orders of Angelic Spirits, all ye holy Saints, now possessors of the heavenly mansions, once the inhabitants of this our land of exile; ye Patriarchs and Prophets, ye Apostles and Martyrs, ye Confessors and Virgins; pray for us, that we may in such a manner adore Jesus Christ under these sacramental veils, that we may hereafter be admitted with you to the clear sight and the possession of him in eternal felicity; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. Amen.

Litany for the Winter Quarter,

BEGINNING WITH ADVENT.

Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us. God the Father of heaven. God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, O God eternal, creator of all things, Father of our Lord Jesus

Christ, Father of glory, and Lord

of heaven and earth. Father of mercies, and God

of all comfort, Who hast made us to thine by own image,

Who hast redeemed us by & thine only Son,

Who hast adopted us thy children.

Who hast given thine angels \$ charge over us,

Who hast encompassed us with all blessings, Who hast prepared for us

an eternal kingdom, Who hast called us into the

fellowship of thy saints, Who givest a good spirit to

those that ask it, Who showest mercy to those

that seek it, Who art blessed on thy

throne of glory,

Who art adored by all the blessed,

Who art the happiness of

the elect,
Who art served by all thy creatures.

Who permittest us, wretched sinners, to praise thy

name, Who art the comfort of our pilgrimage and the object

of our hope, Be merciful, O Lord, and

spare us, Be merciful, O Lord, and hear

From the spirit of infidelity. From profaneness and irre-

ligion, From the contempt of thy

worship, From the abuse of those places which are sacred

to thee, From the neglect of our § prayers,

From all kinds of irreverence in thy holy presence.

From sloth, coldness, and indevotion in time

prayer, dissipated and From worldly spirit at that holy time,

From dejection and want of hope,

We sinners,

Beseech thee hear us.

That we may be ever thankful for whatever opportunities thou art pleased to give us of meeting in thy worship,

We beseech thee hear us

That we may lay hold of all such opportunities for thy greater glory and the good of our souls,

before thee with a sense of our own unworthiness, and of thine awful majesty, in whose presence the pillars of heaven tremble.

That we may come before thee, as sinful creatures, admitted into the choirs of blessed spirits, with them to join our praises and permitted to adere to before thy throne,

That we may come before thee as petitioners, whose wants are infinite, who can have no supply but from thy bounty.

That we may come before a thee, as poor wretched creatures, perishing under a variety of distempers, who have no hopes of help but from thy hand,

That we may some before thee, as humble and unhappy criminals, who stand sentenced to the torments of an everlasting death, and can have no deliverance but from thy mercy,

That hence, as often as we appear before thee, it may ever be with a reverence becoming thy majesty, with a heart fixed on thy goodness, and with a fervency answerable to our wants.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to give a like spirit to all the faithful, that so all indecencies, irreverences, abuses, and scandals, may be removed from all places of thy worship.

That as to us thou hast mercifully enlarged the liberties of thy worship, a so throughout the world all restraints may be removed,

That they wouldst mercial fully assist us in preparating our hearts to be the temples of the Holy Ghost, that so thou, O God, mayest ever abide within us,

That while we serve thee with outward decease, we may be likewise solicitous to adore thee in spirit and truth,

That thou wouldst vouchsafe graciously to hear

us,
Son of God,
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takest away
the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us,
Christ hear us,

Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

Show mercy to us, O God, and grant these our requests; not only to us, but to all the

and grant these our requests; not only to us, but to all the faithful, that all may serve thee in spirit and in truth; that all abuses, irreverences, and scandals being banished from the places of thy worship, they may become the houses of prayer, and nothing be admitted therein but what is well-pleasing in thy sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints be our intercessors with the Lord, that we may be succoured and secured by him, who liveth and reigneth to everlasting ages. Amen.

Litany for Christmas.

Glory be to God on high. And peace on earth to men of good will.

We praise thee. We bless thee.

We adore thee. We glorify thee; we give thee

thanks for thy great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, Father Almighty.

Lord Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sine of the world,

Have mercy on us. Who takest away the sins of

the world.

Hear our prayers. Who sitteth at the right hand of the Father,

Have mercy on we. For thou only art holy, Thou only art our Lord.

Thou only, O Jesus Christ, art most high, together with the Holy Chost, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Bleesed Jesus, true God and man, born in the form of a h**elpless** infant.

Praise and glory be to thee for ever.

Blessed Jesus, who, having the heavens for thy throne, didst yet choose a poor stable for thine abode.

Praise and glory be to thee for

ever.

Blessed Jesus, who, being God incomprehensible, wast pleased, in love to us, to be wrapped up in swaddling clother and laid in a manger.

Praise and glory be to thee for

ever.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, because he hath visited and wrought the redemption of his people.

And hath raised up a horn of salvation to us in the house of **Da**rid his servant.

As he spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets, who are from the beginning.

Salvation from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us.

To perform mercy to our fathers, and to remember his holy testament.

The oath, which he swore to Abraham our father, that he would grant to us.

That being delivered from the

hand of our enemies, we may serve him without fear.

In holiness and justice before him all our days.

Through the bowels of the mercy of our God, in which the Orient from on high hath visited us.

To enlighten them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to direct our feet into the way of peace.

Glory, &c.

Let us pray.
O eternal God, Father Almighty, who in compassion to lost man didst send thine only Son to become his Redeemer from that unhappy state; grant, we beseech thee, that we, who are here assembled to acknowledge the mercy of this time, may find the benefit of it in our souls, in the pardon of all our sins. Through the

came Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

Litany for the Spring Quarter,

(FOR SUNDAY.)

Lord have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world.

God the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God, Jesus, who on this day of the week didst arise from the

dead,
Jesus, who on the same day
didst put on a life immortal.

Jesus, who on the same day didst appear to Mary Magdalen and to the Apostles,

Jesus, who on the same day didst open the eyes of the two disciples going to Emmaus,

Jesus, who on the same day

didst comfort thine Apostles, and give them thy peace.

Jesus, who on the same day didst comfort thine Apostles in the faith of the resurrection, by showing thy hands and thy feet,

Jesus, who on the same day didst breathe on thine M Apostles, and give them the Holy Ghost,

Jesus, who on the same day didst open their understanding to know the Scriptures,

Jesus, who on the same day g didst give them power to forgive sins,

Jesus, who on the same day didst send the Apostles upon their mission, and didst command them to go and teach all nations.

Jesus, who on a Sunday didst condescend to the weakness of St. Thomas.

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and by the evidence of thy sacred wounds didst heal his unbelief,

Jerus, who on a Sanday didst send down the Holy a Ghost upon the Apostles, & and thus prepare thee for a 'rying the foundation of hy Church,

Jesus, who on the same day a didst move thine Apostle a Peter to preach the first Christian sermon to the Jews, to the conversion of three thousand,

Be merciful, O Jesus, and spare us.

Be merciful, O Jesus, and hear.

From the abuse of this day, which we are commanded to keep holy,

From aloth and indevotion,
From the neglect of prayer g
and of thy sacred word,
From all occasions of mis-

spending this day, From whatever is an offence to God, or a scandal to

__the weak,

We sinners, Beseech thee hear us.

That we may have thy grace to sanctify this day as thou hast commanded,
That we may this day labour to arise to a new S

life,
That we may this day examine into the state of our

mine into the state of our souls, and resolve to amend whatever is displeasing to thee,

That we may be converted from all our evil ways, and by a sincere repentance obtain thy peace,

That we may this day be so strengthened in our faith as to bend our whole eadeavours upon seeking those eternal goods, which faith teacheth us, and live by faith.

That thy Holy Spirit would this day descend and take possession of our hearts, and so confirm us in every duty, that no earthly considerations may be able to prevail against us to the transgression of thy law,

That we may this day join with the blessed above, in praising, adoring, and praying to thee, and prepare our souls to celebrate with them an eternal Sabbath,

That we may not give this a day to earth, or self-love, which is consecrated to Heaven, but employ it in such exercises as may raise our hearts above creatures, and unite them to thee by love, who art our only Sovereign and everlasting Good.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe graciously to hear us, and grant these our

petitions, Son of God.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

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Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all that hope in thee, without whom nothing can have either strength or holiness; multiply thy mercy, we beseech thee, upon us, that thou being our governor and our guide, we may so pass through the goods of this life, as not to lose those which are eternal. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany for Gaster.

Let us sing alleluias to the King of glory, because, having laid down his life for our redemption, he is now risen to a life immortal.

Come, let us rejoice in God our Saviour, because he hath redeemed his people, and is risen triumphant over the

powers of hell.

Praise our Lord, for he is good;
for his mercy endureth for

Let those speak who have been redeemed by our Lord; who have been delivered by him out of the hands of the enemy.

That sat in darkness and in the shade of death, straitened with poverty, and bound in irons.

And in their tribulation they cried to our Lord, and he relieved them from all their calamities.

And he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shade of death, and broke asunder their chains.

Let them praise our Lord for his wonderful deeds to the sons of men. For he hath made the brazen gates fly in pieces, and hath broken the iron bars.

My soul, bless our Lord; O Lord my God, thou hast made thy greatness wonderfully to appear.

Thou hast put on majesty and glory; thou art clothed with light as with a gar-

ment.
By the strength of thine arm
thou hast dispersed thine
enemies; and thy youth is

renewed as that of an eagle.

A voice of joy and of salvation
is heard in the tents of the
just.

The stone which the builders rejected is made the cornerstone.

This is the work of our Lord, and it is wonderful in our

This is the day which our Lord hath made; let us triumph

and rejoice therein.

Make this a day of solemnity,

because our Lord is exalted above his enemies. Sing to our Lord a new canti-

cle, let his praise be celebrated in the assembly of saints. C rns, let us rejoice in God our Saviour, because he hath redeemed his people, and is risen triumphant over the powers of hell.

Jesus, Redeemer of mankind, Have mercy on us.

Jesus, who hast cleansed us by thy blood,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, the conqueror of ain and death.

Have mercy on us. We sinners,

Beseech thee hear us.

That we may put off the old man with his acts,

We beseech thee hear us.

That we may not be con-

formed to this world, We beseech thee hear us.

That we may deny all un-

godliness and worldly desires,

That we may live soberly, justly, and piously,
That being dead to sin, we

may live to justice, That arising with thee, our

Redeemer, we may die a no more,

Lamb of God, &c.

Let us pray.
O God, who by thine only
Son hast this day opened the
passage to eternity, through
his victory over death; vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to
confirm us by thy grace, that
we may walk in all our ways,
like those who have been redeemed from sin. Through the
same Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Litany for Whitsuntide.

Come, Holy Spirit, send down from heaven the rays of thy divine light.

Come, thou, who art the father of the poor, the author of all good gifts, and the light of our hearts.

Come, thou, the best of comforters, the sweet guest, and sweetest refreshment of our souls.

The rest of our labours, the ruler of our passions, the comforter of our tears.

O blessed Light, come, penetrate the very centre of the hearts of the faithful.

Without thy grace, what can man do? How can he guiltless be? Wash, therefore, Lord, our polluted souls, water our barren clay, and heal our wounds. Soften our stubborn wills, in-

flame our tepid hearts, and guide our wandering steps.

Grant to thy faithful who trust in thee the treasure of thy sevenfold gift.

Grant us a virtuous life, a happy death, and a happy eternity.

Amen.

Send, then, O God, we beseech thee, the Holy Ghost into our hearts; and by his sacred presence and almighty power, may he banish from thence the spirit of the world,

and of a disorderly life, We beseech thee hear us. The spirit of sloth, of selflove, and of the love of ease.

The spirit of hatred and contention,

The spirit of intemperance and impurity,

The spirit of pride, vanity, and all manner of ambition,

The spirit of envy and contention,

The spirit of detraction, calumny, and all kind of uncharitableness,

The spirit of dissembling, flattering, and lying, The spirit of revenge, pas-

sion, and impatience, The spirit of incredulity and profaneness,

The spirit of immoderate solicitude and worldly care,

The spirit of tepidity, coldness, and indevotion,

The spirit of prodigality and of covetousness,

The spirit of lightness and sinconstancy,
And may be give us the

And may he give us the spirit of universal charity, by which we may love God above all things, and our neighbours as quirelves,

Lamb of God, &c.

Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O Lord, that thy Holy Spirit, which proceedeth from thee, may enlighten and regenerate our hearts, and guide us into all truth, according to the promise of thy Son; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, &c. Amen.

Litary for the Summer Quarter,

BEGINNING WITH TRINITY SUNDAY.

Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Jesus, receive our prayers.
Lord Jesus, grant our petitions.
I.—O God the Father, eternal fountain of all being,
Have mercy on us.
"hou who hast chosen us

in thy Son before the creation of the world,

Thou who didst so love the world as to give thine a only Son to redeem it,

Thou who hast prepared for us a glerious inheritance, if we love thee and keep thy commandments.

II.—O God the Son, eternal Word of the Father,

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Thou who to save us sinners tookedst upon thee the frail nature of man,

Thou who for our redemption becamest obedient to death, even to the death of the cross,

Thou who at the last and dreadful day wilt come with glory to judge the living and the dead.

III.—O God the Holy H Ghost, proceeding from a the Father and the Son,

Thou by whom was wrought the glorious mystery of cour Saviour's incarnation,

Thou who art the free dispenser of all graces, and g our faithful comforter in all afflictions,

O sacred Trinity, three Persons and one God, of equal glory and co-eternal majesty,

O sacred Trinity, of whom, by whom, and in whom are all things,

O sacred Trinity, to whom all the angels and saints of heaven continually sing, Holy, holy, holy,

Blessed for ever be thy name, eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for the immensity of thy power, which at first created all things of nothing, and still preserveth them that they return not again to nothing,

My soul doth magnify thee, O Lord.

For the riches of thy bounty, which filleth every thing, according to its capacity; and for the wisdom of thy counsels, which sweetly dispose, and irresistibly govern the whole frame of the world.

For thy provident forewarning us against the danger of sin, by threatening hell to our offences; and for thy gracious inviting us to our happiness, by promising heaven as a reward to our obedience,

And blessed be thou, O
Jesus the Son of God,
and Saviour of mankind,
for thine infinite glory in
itself, and thine infinite
love towards us.

For thy meek subjection to thy parents; for thy fasting and retirement; for thy miraculous and beneficent works; for all thy sufferings and ignominious death,

For thy glorious resurrection from the grave, and triumphant ascension into heaven; for sending the Holy Ghost to abide with thy Church for ever, and promising to be with us thyself to the end of the world.

And blessed be thou, O God the Holy Ghost, who proceedest from the Father and the Son, for thy continual preservation of the Church in truth, unity, and holiness; for infusing the love of God into our hearts, and comforting us in all our temporal distresses with the hope

of eternal happiness,

And blessed be thou, O Lord, among thine innumerable benefits, for thy One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church; for the steadiness of faith. and peace of conscience, which we experience by relying on her authority; for the adorable sacrifice of the alter, and the pleatiful means of salvation, which we so happily enjoy by embracing her S communion.

For the particular benefits & bestowed upon us, and the many dangers from O which thou hast defended us; for our education. health, condition, and state of life; for our daily bread, and all thine other temporal

ings: For the checks of our own conscience and the motions of the Hely Spirit; for thy patience in expecting our repentance, and for the opportunities which thou offerest us of amending our lives; for our frequent deliverance from the occasions of sin, and for all thine other spiritual blessings,

My soul deth magnify thee, O Lord, and my spirit rejoiceth in God my Saviour.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the clouds; and thy glory above the heavens.

Whilst we live, we will sanctify thy name; we will sing praises to our God, whilst we have any being.

O Lord, hear my prayer. And let my cry come to thes.

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, from whom descendeth every good and perfect gift; graciously accept this humble tribute of praise and thanksgiving from us thy servants, and mercifully grant that the frequent meditation of thine infinite goodness may force our will to love thee above all things. and the serious consideration of thine incomprehensible captivate our understanding to the chedience of faith. that we may here, in reverence to thy word, believe what we do not see, and hereafter in the blissful vision of thy glory see more than we Through Jesus now believe. Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany for the Autumn Quarter.

BEGINNING WITH SEPTEMBER.

Lord have mercy on us, &c. God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world. Have mercy on us.

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God the Medy Chart, Have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, one God, Have mercy on us.

That we may learn to submit our reason to the obedience of faith, and so much the more exalt the wonders of thy goodness, as they exceed the capacity of our understandings.

That we may continually praise thy sovereign Majesty for the being them hast given us, acknowledging our dependence on thee, and adoring thy unsearchable counsels in the government of the world.

Vonchasse, O God, to conduct was by thy wisdom, a to restrain was by thy a justice, to comfort was by thy mescy, to defend us by thy power,

To thee we desire to comescrate all our thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings; that henceforward we may think of thee, speak of thee, constantly refer all our actions to the glory, and suffer willingly whatever thou shalt appoint,

Give us strength to subdue our passions, to evercome temptations, and to acquire the virtues that are proper for our state,

Fill our hearts with affection for thy goodness, a hatred for our faults, a lowe of our neighbour, and a contempt of the world, Beach us to be submissive to our superiors, condescending to our inferiors, faithful to our friends, and charitable to our enemies,

Assist us to overcome sensuality by mortification, avance by alms-deeds, anger by meekness, and tensitity by devotion.

Make us prudent in our undertakings, courageous in dangers, patient in afflictions, and humble in §

prosperity,
Grant that we be punctual at our morning and evening devoting temperature of the state models diligent in the state of the st

at our meals, diligent in a our employments, and a constant in our good re-

solutions,

Let our consciences be ever upright and pure, our extenior modest, our conversation edifying, and our comportment regular,

Discover to us the nothingness of this world, the greatness of heaven, the shortness of time, and the length of eternity,

Be merciful, O Lord, and

spare us.

Bemerciful, O Lord, and hear us.

From the dangers most justly threatening our sins,

Deliver us, O Lord.
From the spirit of pride, profameness, and hypocrisy,

Deliver us, O Lord.

From schism, heresy, and all blindness of heart.

Deliver us, O Lord.

From all uncleanness, gluttony, drunkenness, swearing, and the false liberty of an undisciplined life,

Deliver us, O Lord.

We sinners,

Beseech thee hear us.

That in thy temple and in thy solemn worship all may behave themselves, both pastor and people, with that true piety, reverence, and respect, which become thine adorable Majesty,

That it may please thee mercifully to look down from heaven on those that suffer, and strengthen them in their afflic-

tions,

That it may please thee particularly to have mercy on our relations, friends, and benefactors, and open their eyes to see the beauty of thy truth, and give them grace to embrace it,

That by no temptation the weakest of us may be adrawa to fall away from thee and thy truth.

That it may please thee to preserve the Catholics of this land from all sin and wickedness, and so to adorn their lives with solid piety, that others, seeing their good works, may glorify thee, our Heavenly Father,

O God, by whose mercy the world subsisteth, and to whose power every nation of the earth is subject, have mercy on this nation, and according to its necessities, which are all known to thee, pour forth thy blessings upon it,

Give to all its inhabitants, SO Lord, the spirit of the Gospel; grant that all its magistrates may administer justice, and inspire us all with a zeal for unity, peace, and truth,

Son of God, Lamb of God, &c., as before.

Let us pray.

O almighty and eternal God, who hast appointed us six days in which we may labour and do all our work. and hast consecrated seventh to thyself; grant, we beseech thee, that, according as thou hast commanded, we may sanctify this day, by devoting it entirely to thy love and service. Mercifully forgive us all our past neglect in this kind, pardon the sins which we have been guilty of during the course of the week, and give us grace to avoid them for the future. Make us sensible. O God, of the daily blessings which we receive from thy bounty, that as we know thee by faith, we may love thee by charity, and fixing all our hopes on the happiness of a future life, we may patiently suffer, in submission to thy holy will, what thou now permittest, and come at length to the joys of thy heavenly kingdom. Through our Lord Christ, thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Office of Pespers.

Vespers for Sundays and Festivals.

Pater noster, Ave Maria, an secret.

V. Deus, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Domine, ad adjuvandum me festina.

V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

R. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula seculorum. Amen. leluia.

V. O God, come to my assistance.

R. O Lord, make haste to

help me. V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Ghost. R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Palm Sunday, inclusively, is said:

Laus tibi, Domine, Rex eternæ gloriæ.

Ant. Dixit Dominus.

Praise be to thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory. Ant. The Lord said.

In Paschal Time, the Psalms are all said under this one Antiphon: Alleluia.

Psalm cix. Dixit Dominus.

Dixit Dominus Domino meo: Sede a dextris meis:

Donec ponam inimicos tuos: scabellum pedum tuorum.

Virgam virtutis tue emittet Dominus ex Sion: dominare in medio inimicorum tuorum.

Tecum principium in die virtutis tuss in splendoribus Sanctorum: ex utero ante lu-

1 The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand:

2 Until I make thine ene-

mies: thy footstool. 3 The Lord shall send forth

the rod of thy power from out of Sion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

4 Thine shall be the dominion in the day of thy power, amid the brightness of the ciferum genui te.

Juravit Dominus.et non pœnitebit eum : Tu es sacerdes in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech.

Dominus a dextris tuis : confregit in die iræ suæ reges.

Judicabit in nationibus, implebit ruinas: conquassabit capita in terra multorum.

De torrente in via bibet: propterea exaltabit caput.

Gloria Patri, &c. Ant. Dixit Dominus Domine meo : Sede a dextris meis.

Ant. Fidelia.

Saints: from the womb, before the day-star, have I begotten thee.

5 The Lord hath sworn, and will not repent: Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedec.

6 The Lord upon thy right hand: hath overthrown kings in the day of his wrath.

7 He shall judge among the nations, he shall fulfil destructions: he shall smite in sunder the heads in the land of many.

8 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall be lift up his head.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Ant. The Lord said to my Lard: Sit thou at my right hand.

Ant. Faithful.

Psalm cz. Confitebor tibi.

Confitebor tibi, Domine, in toto corde meo: in consilio justorum, et congregatione.

Magna opera Domini: exquisita in comes voluntates ejus.

Confessio et magnificentia opus ejus : et justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

Memoriam facit mirabilium suorum misericors et miserator Dominus : escam dedit timentibus se.

Memor erit in sæculum testamenti sui : virtutem operum suorum annuntiabit populo suo:

Ut det illishæveditatem gentium : opera manuum ejuš ve-

1 I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: in the assembly of the just, and in the congregation.

2 Great are the works of the Lord: sought out are they unto all his pleasure.

3 His work is his praise, and his honour: and his justice encureth for ever and ever.

4. The merciful and gracious Lord hath lieft a memorial of his marvellous works: he hath given meat to them that fear

5 He shall ever be mindful of his covenant: he shall shew forth unto his people the power of his works:

6 That he may give them the heritage of the gentiles:

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ritas et judicium.

Fidelia omnia mandata ejus, confirmata in sæculum sæculi: facta in veritate et æquitate.

Redemptionem misit populo suo: mandavit in seternum testamentum suum.

Sanctum et terribile nomen ejus: initium sapientise timor Domini.

Intellectus bonus omnibus facientibus eum : laudatio ejus manet in seculum seculi.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Fidelia omnia mandata ejus, confirmata in sæcultum sæculi.

Ant. In mandatis.

the works of his hands are judgment and truth.

7 Faithful are all his com-

7 Faithful are all his commandments; they stand fast for ever and ever: they are done in truth and equity.

8 He hath sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever.

manded his covenant for ever.

9 Holy and terrible is his name: the fear of the Lord is

the beginning of wisdom.

10 A good understanding have all they that do thereafter: his praise endureth for ever and ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Ant. Faithful are all his commandments; they stand fast for ever and ever.

Ant. In his commandments.

Psalm cxi. Beatus vir.

Beatus vir, qui timet Dominum: in mandatis ejus volet nimis.

Potens in terra erit semen ejus: generatio rectorum be-

ejus: generatio rectorum benedicetur.

Gloria et divitise in domo ejus: et justitia ejus manet in

sæculum sæculi.

Exortum est in tenebris lumen rectis: misericors, et miserator, et justus.

Jucundus homo qui miseretur et commodat, disponet sermones suos in judicio : quia in ætermum non commovebitur.

In memoria æterna erit justus: ab auditione mala non timebit.

Paratum cor ejus sperare in

Beatus vir.

1 Blessed is the man, that feareth the Lord: in his commandments he shall have great delight.

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.

3 Glory and riches shall be in his house: and his justice endureth for ever and ever.

4 Unto the righteous there hath risen up light in the darkness: he is merciful, compassionate, and just.

5 Acceptable is the man who is merciful and kandeth, he shall order his words with judgment: for he shall not be moved for ever.

6 The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance: he shall not be afraid for evil report.

7. His heart is prepared to

Domino, confirmatum est cor ejus: non commovebitur donec despiciat inimicos suos.

Dispersit, dedit pauperibus; justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi: cornu ejus exaltabitur in gloria.

Peccator videbit, et irascetur, dentibus suis fremet et tabescet: desiderium peccatorum peribit.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. In mandatis ejus cupit
nimis.

Ant. Sit nomen Domini.

hope in the Lord; his heart is fixed: he shall not be moved until he look down upon his enemies.

8 He hath dispersed abroad, he hath given to the poor; his justice endureth for ever and ever: his horn shall be exalted

in glory.

9 The sinner shall see it and be wroth; he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away: the desire of the wicked shall

perish.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
Ant. In his commandments
he hath great delight.

Ant. Blessed be the name.

Psalm cxii. Laudate pueri.

Laudate, pueri, Dominum: laudate nomen Domini.

Sit nomen Domini benedictum: ex hoc nunc, et usque in sæculum.

A solis ortu usque ad occasum: laudabile nomen Domini.

Excelsus super omnes gentes Dominus: et super cœlos gloria eius.

Quis sicut Dominus Deus noster, qui in altis habitat: et humilia respicit in cœlo et in terra?

Suscitans a terra inopem: et de stercore erigens pauperem:

Ut collocet eum cum principibus: cum principibus populi sui.

Qui habitare facit sterilem in domo: matrem filiorum lætantem. 1 Praise the Lord, ye children: praise ye the name of the Lord.

2 Blessed be the name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

3 From the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same: the name of the Lord is worthy to be praised.

4 The Lord is high above all nations: and his glory

above the heavens.

5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high: and regardeth the things that are lowly in heaven and in earth?

6 Who raiseth up the needy from the earth: and lifteth the poor from off the dunghill:

7 That he may set him with the princes: even with the princes of his people.

8 Who maketh the barren woman to dwell in her house; the joyful mother of children.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Ant. Sit nomen Domini benedictum in sæcula.

Ant. Nos qui vivimus.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
Ant. Blessed be the name of
the Lord for ever.

Ant. We who live.

Paalm eniii. In exitu Israe...

In exitu Israel de Ægypto: domus Jacob de populo barbaro.

Facta est Judæa sanctificatio

ejus: Israel potestas ejus. Mare vidit, et fugit: Jor-

danis conversus est retrorsum. Montes exultaverunt ut arietes: et colles sicut agni evi-

Quid est tibi, mare, quod fugisti: et tu Jordanis, quia conversus es retrorsum?

Montes exultastis sieut arietes: et colles sicut agni ovium?

A facie Domini mota est terra: a facie Dei Jacob.

Qui convertit petram in stagna aquarum: et rupem in fontes aquarum.

Non nobis, Domine, non nohis: sed nomini tuo da gloriam.

Super misericordia tua, et veritate tua: nequando dicant gentes, Ubi est Deus corum?

Deus autem noster in cœlo: emma quæcumque voluit, fecit.

Simulacra gentium argentum et aurum: opera manuum hominum.

Os habent, et non loquentur: oculos habent, et non videbunt.

Aures habent, et non audi-

1 When Israel came out of Egypt: the house of Jacob from among a strange people.

2 Judah was made his sanc-

tuary: and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea beheld, and fled:
Jordan was turned back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams: and the little hills like the lambs of the flock.

5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest; and thou Jordan, that thou wast turned back?

6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams: and ye little hills like the lambs of the flock?

7 At the presence of the Lord the earth was moved: at the presence of the God of Jacob.

8 Who turned the rock into a standing water: and the stony hill into a flowing stream.

9 Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us: but unto thy name

give the glory.

10 For thy mercy and for thy truth's sake: lest the gentiles should say, Where is their God?

11 But our God is in heaven: he hath done whatsoever he would.

12 The idols of the gentiles are silver and gold: the work of the hands of men.

13 They have mouths, and they shall not speak: they have eyes, and they shall not see.

14 They have cars, and they

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ent: nares habent, et non odorabunt.

Manus habent, et non palpabunt; pedes habent, et non ambulabunt: non clamabunt in gutture suo.

Similes illis fiant qui faciunt ea: et omnes qui confidunt in eis.

Domus Israel speravit in Domino: adjutor eorum protector corum est.

Domus Aaron speravit in Domino: adjutor eorum et

protector corum est. Qui timent Dominum, speraverunt in Domino: adjutor corum et protector corum est.

Dominus memor fuit nostri: et benedixit nobis.

Benedixit domui Israel: benedixit domui Aaron.

Benedixit omnibus, qui timent Dominum: pusillis cum majoribus.

Adjiciat Dominus super vos: super vos, et super filios ves-

Benedicti vos a Domino: qui fecit cœlum et terram.

Cœlum cœli Domino: terram autem dedit filiis hominum.

Non mortui laudabunt te, Domine: neque omnes qui descendunt in infernum.

Sed nos qui vivimus, benedicimus Domino: ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum

Gloria Patri. Ant. Nos qui vivimns, benedicimus Domino.

shall not hear: they have noses. and they shall not smell.

15 They have hands, and shall not feel: have feet, and they shall not walk: neither shall they speak through their throat.

16 Let those that make them become like unto them: and all such as put their trust in them.

17 The house of Israel hath hoped in the Lord: he is their helper and protector.

18 The house of Aaron hath hoped in the Lord: he is their helper and protector.

19 They that fear the Lord. have hoped in the Lord: he is their helper and protector. 20 The Lordhath been mind-

ful of us: and hath blessed us. 21 He hath blessed the house of Israel: he hath blessed the

house of Aaron. 22 He hath blessed all that fear the Lord: the least toge-

ther with the greatest. 23 May the Lord add blessings upon you : upon you, and

upon your children. 24 Blessed be ye of the Lord.

who hath made heaven and earth.

25 The heaven of heavens is the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men. 26 The dead shall not praise thee, O Lord: neither all they

that go down into hell. 27 But we who live, bless the Lord: from this time forth

for ever more.

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Glory be to the Father, &c. Ant. We who live, bless the Lord.

Then follow the Little Chapter and the Hymn;* after which is said, with its proper Antiphon:

The Magnificat, or Canticle of the Blessed Virgin.

Magnificat: anima mea Dominum.

Et exultavit spiritus meus : in Deo salutari meo.

Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ : ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est : et sanctum nomen ejus.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies : timentibus eum.

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo: dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

Deposuit potentes de sede : et exaltavit humiles.

Esurientes implevit bonis: et divites dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel puerum suum : recordatus misericordiæ suss.

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros: Abraham, et semini ejus in sæcula.

Gloria Patri, &c.

1 My soul doth magnify:

the Lord.

2 And my spirit hath rejoiced: in God my Saviour.

3 For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaid: for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

4 For he that is mighty hath done great things unto me: and holy is his name.

5 And his mercy is from generation to generation: unto them that fear him.

6 He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their heart.

7 He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble.

8 He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

9 He hath holpen his servant Israel: being mindful of his mercy.

10 As he spake unto our fathers: to Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Here follow the proper Collect, and the Commemorations, if any; after which one of the Antiphons of the Blessed Virgin is sung, as at p. 411.

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Hymn for Sunday, see p. 436.

Common of Apostles and Changelists.

TIRST VESPRES.

Psalms as on Sundays, with the exception of the last, for which Psalm exvi., Landate Dominum, is used, as follows:

Psalm exvi. Laudate Dominum.

populi:

Quoniam confirmata est suveritas Domini manet in sater- Lord endureth for everinnın.

Laudate Dominum, omnes 1 Praise the Lord, all ye gentes: laudate eum, omnes gentiles : praise him, all ye

people:

2. For his mercy is confirmed per nos misericordia ejus: et upon us: and the truth of the

SECOND VESPERS.

Pralm cin. Dixit Dominus. Psalm cxii. Laudate pueni. Then the three following:

Psalm cxv. Credidi.

Credidi, propter quod locutus sum : ego autem humiliatus sum nimis.

Ego dixi in excessu meo: Omnis homo mendax.

Quid retribuam Domino: pro omnibus quæ retribuit mihf?

Calicem salutaris accipiam: et nomen Domini invocabe.

Vota mea Domino, reddam coram omni populo ejus: pretiosa in conspectu Domini mors sanctorum ejus.

O Domine, quia ego servus tuus: ego servus tuus, et filius ancillæ tuæ.

Dirupisti vincula mea: tibi sacrificabo hostiam laudis, et

1 I believed, and therefore did I speak: but I was hunchled exceedingly.

2 I said in my excess: All men are liars:

3 What shall I render unto the Lord: for all he bath rendered unto me?

4 I will take the chalice of salvation: and call upon the

name of the Lord.

5 I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all his people: precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

6 O Lord, I am thy servant: I am thy servant, and the son

of thy handmaid.

7 Thou hast broken my bonds in sunder: I will offer nomen Domini invocabo.

Vota mea Domino reddam in conspectu omnis populi ejus: in atriis domus Domini, in medio tui, Jerusalem.

unto thee the sacrifice of praise, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

8 I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the sight of all his people: in the courts of the house of the Lord, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.

Psalm cxxv. In convertendo.

In convertendo Dominus captivitatem Sion: facti sumus sicut consolati:

Tunc repletum est gaudio os nostrum: et lingua nostra exultatione.

Tunc dicent inter gentes: Magnificavit Dominus facere

cum eis.

Magnificavit Dominus facere nobiscum: facti sumus lætantes.

Converte, Domine, captivitatem nostram: sicut torrens in austro.

Qui seminant in lacrymis: in exultatione metent.

Euntes ibant et flebant : mittentes semina sua.

Venientes autem venient cum exultatione: portantes manipulos suos.

Psalm exxxviii.

Domine, probasti me, et cognovisti me: tu cognovisti sessionem meam, et resurrectionem meam.

Intellexisti cogitationes meas de longe: semitam meam, et funiculum meum investigasti.

Et omnes vias meas prævidisti: quia non est sermo in lingus mea.

1 When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: we became like men that are comforted:

2 Then was our mouth filled with gladness: and our tongue

with joy.

3 Then shall they say among the gentiles: The Lord hath done great things for them.

4 The Lord hath done great things for us: we are become

very joyful.

5 Turn again our captivity, OLord: as a river in the south.

6 They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.

7 Going on their way, they went and wept: scattering their seed.

8 But returning, they shall come with joyfulness: bringing their sheaves with them.

Domine, probasti.

1 O Lord, thou hast proved me and known me: thou hast known my sitting down and my rising up.

2 Thou hast understood my thoughts long before: my path and my line hast thou searched out.

3 And thou hast foreseen all my ways: for there is not a word in my tongue. Ecce, Domine, tu cognovisti emnia novissima et antiqua: tu formasti me, et posuisti super me manum tuam.

Mirabilis facta est scientia tua ex me: confortata est, et

non potero ad eam.

Quo ibo a spiritu tuo: et quo a facie tua fugiam?

Si ascendero in cœlum, tu illic es: si descendero in infernum, ades.

Si sumpsero pennas meas diluculo: et habitavero in ex-

tremis maris:

Etenim illuc manus tua deducet me: et tenebit me dextera tua.

Et dixi, Forsitan tenebræ conculcabunt me: et nox illuminatio mea in deliciis meis.

Quia tenebræ non obscurabuntur a te, et nox sicut dies illuminabitur: sicut tenebræ ejus, ita et lumen ejus.

Quia tu pessedisti renes meos: suscepisti me de utero matris meæ.

Confitebor tibi quia terribiliter magnificatus es: mirabilia opera tua, et anima mea cognoscit nimis.

Non est occultatum os meum a ta, quod fecisti in occulto: et substantia mea in inferioribus terræ.

Imperfectum meum viderunt eculi tui, et in libro tuo omnes scribentur: dies formabuntur, et nemo in eis.

Mihi autem nimis honoricati sunt amici tui, Deus: 4 Behold, O Lord, thou hast known all things, new and old; thou hast formed me, and laid thine hand upon me.

5 Thy knowledge is become too wonderful for me: it is strong and high, and I cannot

attain unto it.

6 Whither shall I go from thy spirit: and whither shall I flee from thy face?

7 If I go up into heaven, thou art there: if I go down into hell, thou art there also.

8 If I take to me the wings of the morning: and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea:

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me: and thy right hand shall hold me.

10 And I said, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me: and night shall be my light in

my pleasures.

11 But darkness shall not be dark to thee, and night shall be as light as the day: the darkness thereof and the light thereof are alike to thee.

12 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast holpen me

from my mother's womb.

13 I will praise thee, for thou art fearfully magnified: marvellous are thy works, and my soul knoweth them right

well.

14 My bones are not hid from thee, which thou didst fashion in secret: and my substance in the lower parts of the earth.

15 Thine eyes did see my imperfect being, and in thy book shall all men be written; day by day shall they be formed, while yet there is no one.

16 But to me thy friends, O God, are made exceedingly

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nimis confortatus est principatus corum.

Dinumerabo eos, et super arenam multiplicabuntur: exsurrexi, et adhuc sum tecum.

Si occideris, Deus, peccatores: viri sanguinum declinate a me:

Quia dicitis in cogitatione: Accipient in vanitate civitates: tuas.

Nome qui oderant te, Domine, oderam: et super inimicos traco tabescebam?

Perfecto odio oderam illos: et inimici facti sunt mihi.

Proba me, Dena, et scito cer menum: interroga me, et cog~ nosce semitas meas.

Et vide, si via injanitatis in me est: et deduc me in via æterna.

honourable: most firmly in their dominion established.

17 I will tell them, and they shall be more in number than the sand: I have risen up, and am still with thee.

18 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God: ye men of blood, depart from me:

19 For ye say in your thoughts: They shall take thy

cities in vain. 20 Haze I not hated them, O Lord, that hated thee: and:

pined away because of thine enemies?

21 I have hated them with a perfect hatred; and they became as enemies unto me..

22 Prove me, O God, and try my heart : examine me. and search out my paths.

23 And look well, if there be in me the way of iniquity: and lead me in the way everlasting.

COMMON OF MARTYRS:

First Vespera : last Poulm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396. cond Vespera : last Psalm, Credidi, ibid.

COMMON OF A CONFESSOR AND BISHOP.

Hymn, p. 441.

First Vespers: last Psalm, Landate Dominum, p. 396. Second Vespers: last Psalm, Memento, Domine, as follows:

Psalm carri. Memento, Domine.

Memento, Demine, David: et omnis manswetnidinia ejus. Sicut juravit Demino avotum

wovit Dee Jacobis

and interested its debermaculum

1 O Lord, remember David : and all his meekness.

2 How he swame unto the Lord: and vowed a vow unto the God of Jacob:

3 I will not enter into the

domus meæ: si ascendero in lectum strati mei:

Si dedero somnum oculis meis: et palpebris meis dormitationem.

Et requiem temporibus meis: donec inveniam locum Domino, tabernaculum Deo Jacob.

Ecce audivimus eam in Ephrata: invenimus eam in campis silvæ,

Introibimus in tabernaculum ejus: adorabimus in loco, ubi steterunt pedes ejus.

Surge, Domine, in requiem tuam: tu et arca sanctificationis tuæ.

Sacerdotes tui induantur justitiam: et sancti tui exultent.

Propter David servum tuum: non avertas faciem Christi

Juravit Dominus David veritatem, et non frustrabitur eam: De fructu ventris tui ponam super sedem tuam.

Si custodierint filii tui testamentum meum: et testimonia mea hæc quæ docebo eos:

Et filii eorum usque in sæculum: sedebunt super sedem tuam.

Quoniam elegit Dominus Sion: elegit eam in habitationem sibi.

Hæc requies mea in sæculum sæculi: hic habitsbo, quoniam elegi eam.

Viduam ejus benedicens benedicam: pauperes ejus saturabo panibus.

Sacerdotes ejus induam salutari: et sancti ejus exultatione exultabunt. tabernacle of mine house: I will not go up into my bed:

4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes: nor slumber to mine eyelids.

5 Nor rest unto the temples of my head: until I find a place for the Lord, a tabernacle for the God of Jacob

6 Lo, we heard of it in Ephrata: we found it in the

fields of the wood.

7 We will go into his tabernacle: we will worship in the place, where his feet have stood.

8 Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place: thou, and the

ark of thy holiness.

9 Let thy priests be clothed

with justice: and let thy saints rejoice.

10 For thy servant David's sake: turn not away the face of thine Anointed.

11 The Lord hath sworn the truth unto David, and he will not make it void: Of the fruit of thy body I will set upon thy throne.

12 If thy children will keep my covenant: and these my testimonies which I shall teach

them:

13 Their children also for evermore: shall sit upon thy throne.

14 For the Lord hath chosen Sion: he hath chosen her for his dwelling.

15 This is my rest for ever and ever: here will I dwell, for I have chosen her.

16 With blessing, I will bless her widows: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

17 I will clothe her priests with salvation : and her saints shall rejoice with exceeding joy. Illuc producam cornu David: paravi lucernam Christo meo.

Inimicos ejus induam confusione: super ipsum autem efflorebit sanctificatio mea. 18 There will I bring forth a horn unto David: I have prepared a lamp for mine Anointed.

19 His enemies will I clothe with confusion: but upon himself shall my sanctification flourish.

CHRISTMAS DAY.

First Vespers: last Psalm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396. Second Vespers (and through the Octave): 4th Psalm, De profundis, p. 427; last do., Memento, Domine, p. 399.

THE EPIPHANY.

First Vespers: last Psalm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396, Second Vespers: as on Sundays,

SS. PETER AND PAUL.

First Vespers: last Psalm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396. Second Vespers: as in Common of Apostles.

ALL SAINTS.

First Vespers: last Psalm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396. Second Vespers: last Psalm, Credidi, ibid.

ASCENSION DAY.

Second Vespers: last Psalm, Laudate Dominum, p. 396.

CORPUS CHRISTI AND FEAST OF SACRED HEART.

Second Vespers: 3d Psalm, Credidi, p. 396; 4th do., Beati omnes, p. 419; last do., Lauda Jerusalem, p. 428.

FEAST OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD (1st Sunday of July).

Last Psalm, Lauda Jerusalem, p. 428.

The Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Common of Virgins and Holy Women, and Vespers for New Year's Day: 1st Psalm, Dixit Dominus, p. 389; 2d do., Laudate pueri, p. 392; 3d, 4th, and 5th, Lectatus sum, p. 435; Nisi Dominus, p. 414; Lauda Jerusalem, p. 428; Hymn, Ave maris, p. 443.

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Compline.

The Reader begins.

V. Jube, domne, benedicere.

V. Pray, sir, a blessing.

The Blessing.

Noctem quietam, et finem perfectum concedat nobis Domisses omnipotens.

R. Amen.

May the Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night, and a perfect end. R. Amen.

Short Lesson. 1 St. Pet. v.

Fratres, sobril astete, et vigilate: quin adveraries vester diabolus tamquam leo rugiens circuit, querens quem devoret: cui resistite fortes in fide. Tu autem, Domitre, miserere nobis.

R. Deo gratias.

V. Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

R. Qui fecit cœlum et ter-

Pater nosber. (Dicitur totum secreto.) Brethren, he wober, and watch: because your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion goeth about, seeking whom he may devour; whom resist ye strong in faith. But do thou, O Lord, have mercy on us.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven

Our Father, &c. (All in secret.)

Then the Hebdomadarius makes the Confession.

Confiteor Deo omnipotenti, beatæ Mariæ semper Virgini, beatæ Michaeli Archangelo, beato Joanni Baptistæ, sanctis Apostolis Petro et Paulo, omnibus Sanctis, et vobis fratres: quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo, et opere: mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima

I confess to almighty God, to-blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archaugel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the hely Apostles Peter and Pant, to all the Saints, and to you, brethren: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed:

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culpa. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaelum Archangelum, beatum Joannem Baptistam, sanctos Apostolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et vos fratres, orare pro me ad Dominum Deum nostrum. through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, brethren, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

The Choir sanswers 2

Misereatur tui omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis tuis perducat te ad vitam æternam.

R. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy ains, and bring thee to life everlasting.

. R. Amen.

Then the Chair repeats the Confession.

Confiteer Dec omnipotenti, beatæ Mariæ semper Virgini, beato Michaeli Archangelo, beato Joanni Baptistæ, sanctis Apostolis Petro et Paulo, omnibus Sanctis, et tibi, pater: quia peccavi nimis cogitatione, verbo, et opere: mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem, beatum Michaelem Archangelum, beatam Joannem Baptistam, Ballitos Apostolos Petrum et Paulum. omnes Sanctos, et te, pater, orare pro me ad Dominum Deum nostrum.

I confess to Almighty God. to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, father: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

The Hebdomadurius says:

Misereatur vestri omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis vestris, perducat vos ad vitam stevnam.

R. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

R. Amen.

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Indulgentiam, absolutionem, et remissionem peccatorum nostrorum tribuat nobis omnipotens et misericors Dominus.

R. Amen.

R. Amen.

Then is said:

our sins.

V. Converte nos, Deus sa-

lutaris noster. R. Et averte iram tuam a

nobis. V. Deus, in adjutorium me-

um intende. R. Domine, ad adjuyandum

me festina. Gloria Patri. Sicut erat.

Alleluia, vel Laus tibi, Domine, Rex æternæ gloriæ.

Ant. Miserere.

V. Convert us, O God our Saviour.

May the almighty and mer-

ciful Lord grant us pardon,

absolution, and remission of

R. And turn away thy anger

V. O God, come to my as-

sistance. R. O Lord, make haste to

help me. Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning,

Alleluia, or Praise be to thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

Ant. Have mercy.

In Paschal time. Ant. Allelnia.

Psalm iv. Cum invocarem.

Cum invocarem, exaudivit me Deus justitiæ meæ: in tribulatione dilatasti mihi.

Miserere mei: et exaudi orationem meam.

Filii hominum usquequo gravi corde: ut quid diligitis vanitatem, et quæritis men-

dacium?

Et scitote quoniam mirificavit Dominus sanctum suum: Dominus exaudiet me, cum clamavero ad eum.

Irascimini, et nolite peccare: quæ dicitis in cordibus vestris, in cubilibus vestris compungimini.

Sacrificate sacrificium jus-

1 When I called upon him, the God of my justice heard me: when I was in distress, thou didst enlarge me.

2 Have mercy upon me:

and hear my prayer.

3 O ye sons of men, how long will ye be dull of heart: why do ye love vanity, and seek after lying?

4 Know ye also that the Lord hath exalted his holy one: the Lord will hear me, when I cry unto him.

5 Be ye angry, and sin not: the things which ye say in your hearts, be sorry for upon your beds.

6 Offer up the sacrifice of titise, et sperate in Domino: justice, and hope in the Lord: multi dicunt, Quis ostendit there are many that say, Who nobis bona?

Signatum est super nos lumen vultus tui, Domine: dedisti lestitiam in corde meo.

A fructu frumenti vini. et olei sui: multiplicati sunt.

In pace in idipsum: dormiam, et requiescam.

Quoniam tu, Domine. singulariter in spe: constituisti me.

Gloria Patri.

Psalm xxx. In te, Domine, speravi.

In te, Domine, speravi, non confundar in æternum: in justitia tua libera me.

Inclina ad me aurem tuam: accelera ut eruns me.

Esto mihi in Deum, protectorem, et in domum refugii: ut salvum re facias.

Quoniam fortitudo mea, et refugium meum es tu: et propter nomen taum deduces me, et enutries me.

Educes me de laqueo hec, quem absconderunt mild : quoniam tu es protector meus.

In manus tuas commendo spiritum meum : redemisti**me,** Domine, Deus veritatis.

Gleria Patri.

Psalm .c. Qui habitat.

Qui habitat în adjutorio Altissimi : in protectione Dei cœli commorabitur.

sheweth us good things?

7 The light of thy countenance, O Lord, is signed upon us: thou hast put gladness in my heart.

8 By the fruit of their corn and wine and oil : are they

multiplied.

9 In peace in the self-same: I will sleep and take my rest. 10 For thou only, O Lord: hast established me in hope.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

1 In thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded : deliver me in thy

justice.

2 Incline thine ear unto me: make haste to deliver me.

3 Be thou, my God, may protector, and a house of pefuge : that thou mayest wave me.

4 For thou art my strength and my refuge : and for thy name's sake, thou wilt lead me and nourish me.

5 Thou wilt bring me out of this snare, that they have laid for me : for thou art my

protector.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit : thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, the God of truth.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

 He that dwelleth in the help of the Most High : shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven.

Dicet Domino, Susceptor meus es tu, et refugium meum: Deus meus, sperabo in eum.

Quomam ipse liberavit me de laqueo venantium: et a

verbo aspero.

Scapulis suis obumbrabit tibi: et sub pennis ejus sperabis.

Scuto circumdabit te veritas ejus: non timebis a timore nocturno:

A sagitta volante in die, a negotio perambulante in tenebris: ab incursu et dæmonio meridiano.

Cadent a latere tuo mille, et decem millia a dextris tuis: ad te autem non appropinquabit.

Verumtamen oculis tuis considerabis: et retributionem

peccatorum videbis.

Quoniam tu es, Domine, spes mea: Altissimum posuisti refugium tuum.

Non accedet ad te malum; et flagellum non appropinquabit tabernaculo tuo.

Quoniam angelis suis mandavit de te: ut custodiant te in omnibus viis tuis.

In manibus portabunt te: ne forte offendas ad lapidem

pedem tuum.

Super aspidem et basiliscum ambulabis: et conculcabis leonem et draconem.

Quoniam in me speravit, liberabo eum: protegam eum, quoniam cognovit nomen meum.

Clamabit ad me, et ego ex-

2 He shall say unto the Lord, Thou art my upholder, and my refuge: my God, in him will I hope.

8 For he hath delivered me from the snare of the hunters:

and from the sharp word.

4 He shall overshadow thee with his shoulders: and under his wings shalt thou trust.

5 His truth shall compass thee with a shield: thou shalt not be afraid for the terror of

the night:

6 For the arrow that flieth in the day, for the plague that walketh in the darkness: for the assault of the evil one in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall

not come nigh thee.

8 But with thine eyes shalt

thou behold: and shalt see the reward of the wicked.

9 For thou, O Lord, art my hope: thou hast set thy refuge very high.

10 There shall no evil approach unto thee: nor shall the scourge come nigh thy

dwelling.

11 For he hath given his angels charge over thee; to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 In their hands shall they bear thee up: lest haply thou dash thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt walk upon the asp and the basilisk: the lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath hoped in me, I will deliver him: I will protect him, because he hath known my name.

15 He shall cry unto me, and

audiam eum: cum ipso sum in tribulatione, eripiam eum, et glorificabo eum.

Longitudine dierum replebo eum ; et ostendam illi salutare meum.

Gloria Patri.

I will hear him: I am with him in trouble, I will deliver him, and glorify him.

16 With length of days will I fill him: and I will shew unto him my salvation.

Glory be to the Father. &c.

Psalm cxxxiii. Ecce nunc.

Ecce nunc benedicite Do. minum: omnes servi Domini.

Qui statis in domo Domini: in atriis domus Dei nostri.

In noctibus extollite manus vestras in sancta : et benedicite Dominum.

Benedicat te Dominus ex Sion: qui fecit cœlum et terram.

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Miserere mihi, Domine, et exaudi orationem meam.

1 Behold now, bless ye the Lord: all ye servants of the Lord.

2 Who stand in the house of

the Lord: in the courts of the house of our God.

3 Lift up your hands by night to the holy places: and

bless the Lord.

4 May the Lord out of Sion bless thee: who hath made heaven and earth.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Ant. Have mercy on me, O Lord, and graciously hear my prayer.

HYMN.

Te lucis ante terminum, Lerum Creator, poscimus; It pro tua clementia, dis præsul et custodia.

Frocul recedant somnia, Et noctium phantasmata: Hostemque nostrum comprime, Ne polluantur corpora.

Præsta, Pater piissime. Patrique compar Unice, Cum Spiritu Paraclito Regnans per omne sæculum. Now with the fast-departing light. Maker of all! we ask of thee, Of thy great mercy, through the night Our guardian and defence to be.

Far off let idle visions fiv: No phantom of the night molest;

Curb thou our raging enemy, That we in chaste repose may

rest.

Father of mercies! hear our cry; Hear us. O sole-begotten Son! Who, with the Holy Ghost most high,

Reignest while endless ages run.

Little Chapter .- Jer. xiv.

Tu autem in nobis es, Dó-Thou, O Lord, art among mine, et nomen sanctum tuum us, and thy holy name is

invocatum est super nos, ne derelinquas nos, Domine Deus noster.

B. Deo gratias.

Resp. brev. In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum.

Chor. In manus tuas, Docommendo spiritum

meum.

▼. Redemisti nos, Domine, **D**eus veritatis.

Chor. Commendo spiritum meum.

🔻. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

Chor. In manus tuas, Docommendo spiritum mine, meum.

y. Custodi nos, Domine, ut pupillam oculi.

By. Sub umbra alarum tuarum protege nos.

In Paschal time, the above are said thus:

In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum. Alleluia, alleluia.

Chor. In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum. Alleluia, alleluia.

y. Redemisti nos, Domine,

Deus veritatis.

Chor. Alleluia, alleluia. V. Gloria Patri, &c.

Chor. In manus tuas, Dospiritum mine, commendo Alleluia, alleluia. meum.

V. Custodi nos, Domine, ut pupillam oculi. Afleluia.

R. Sub umbra alarum tuarum protege nos. Allehuis.

The Nunc Dimittis, or Canticle of Simeon.

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine: secundum verbum tuum in pace:

voked upon us, forsake us not. Q Lord our God.

R'. Thanks be to God. Short Responsory,

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Choir. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

W. Thou hast redeemed us. O Lord, the God of truth. Choir. I commend my spirit.

Y. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghest.

Choir. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

y. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye.

Rr. Protect us under the shadow of thy wings.

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

Choir. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

y. Thou hast redeemed us. O Lord, the God of truth.

Choir. Alleluia, alleluia. y. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Choir. Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

y. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of an eye. Alleluia.

Ry. Protect us under the shadow of thy wings. Alleluia.

Now dost thou dismiss thy servant, Lord, in peace: according to thy word:

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Quia viderunt oculi mei : salutare tuum.

Quod parasti: ante faciem omnium populorum:

Lumen ad revelationem gentium: et gloriam plebis tuæ Israel.

Gloria Patri.

Ant. Salva nos, Domine, vigilantes, custodi nos dormientes: ut vigilemus cum Christo, et requieseamus in pace. (Tempore Paschali, Alleluia.)

2 For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation.

3 Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people:

4 A light to enlighten the gentiles: and the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Ant. Save us, O Lord, when we are awake; and keep us while we sleep: that we may watch with Christ, and rest in peace.

(In Paschal time, Alleluia.)

[The following Prayers are omitted on Doubles, and within Octaves:

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Pater noster. Secreto. V. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.

R. Sed libera nos a malo. Credo in Deum. Secreto.

V. Carnis resurrectionem.

R. Vitam æternam. Amen.

V. Benedictus es, Domine, Deus patrum nostrorum.

R. Et laudabilis et glori-

osus in sæcula.

V. Benedicamus Patrem et Filium cum Sancto Spiritu.

R. Laudemus, et superexaltemus eum in sæcula.

V. Benedictus es, Domine, in firmamento cœli.

R. Et laudabilis, et gloriosus, et superexaltatus in sætula.

V. Benedicat et custodiat

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Our Father, &c. In secret. V. And lead us not into

temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil.

I believe in God. &c. In

secret.

V. The resurrection of the body.

R. And life everlasting. Amen.

V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers. R. And worthy to be praised and glorious for ever.

V. Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Ghost.

R. Let us praise and exalt him above all for ever.

V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

R. And worthy to be praised, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.

V. May the almighty and

nos omnipotens et misericers merchful Lord bless and pre-Dominus.

R. Amen.

V. Dignare, Domine, mocte

R. Sine peccato nos custodire.

Miserere nostri, Do-V. mine.

R. Miserere nostri.

V. Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos.

R. Quemadmodum speravi-

mus in te.

V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

V. Dominus vobiscum. R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.

Visita, quæsumus, Domine, habitationem istam, et omnes insidias inimici ab ea longe repelle: angeli tui sancti habitent in ea, qui nos in pace custodiant: et benedictie tua sit super nos semper. Dominum.

V. Dominus vobiscum.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

V. Benedicamus Domino.

R. Deo gratias.

serve us.

R. Amen.

V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, this night.

R. To keep us without sin.

V. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy on us.

V. Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

R. As we have hoped in thee.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto then.

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.]

Let us pray.

Visit, we beseech thee. O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy: let thy holy angels dwell herein, to preserve us in peace: and may thy blessing be always upon us. Through our Lord, &c.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.
V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

The Blessing.

Benedicat et custodiat nos omnipotens et misericors Dominus, Pater, et Filius, et Spiritus Sanctus.

R. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us.

R. Amen.

From Compline on the Fewet of the Purification to None on Holy Saturday, inclusively.

THE ARTIFEON.

Ave, Regina contrum !
Ave, domina angelorum !
Salve, radix, salve, porta,
Ex qua munde Lax est orta.
Gaude, Virgo gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa.
Vale, O valde decora !
Et pro nebis Christum exora.

V. Dignare me laudare te, Virgo sacrata.

R. Da mihi virtutem contra

Oremus.

Concede, misericors Deus, fragilitati nostræ præskilum; ut qui sanctæ Dei Genitricis memoriam agimas, intercessionis ejus auxilio a nostris iniquitatibus resurgamus. Per eumdem Christum, &c.

R. Amen.

V. Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum

R. Amen.

Hail, O Queen of Heav'n enthron'di Hail, by angels mistress own'd! Root of Jesse! Gate of morn! Whence the world's true Light was born.

Glorious Virgin, joy to thee, Loweliest whom in Heaven they

Fairest thou where all are fair!
Plead with Christ our sins to spare.

V. Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O sacred Virgin. R. Give me strength against

R. Give me strength against thine enemies.

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, support to our frailty; that we who commemorate the holy Mother of God, may, by the help of her intercession, arise from our iniquities. Through the same Christ our Lord, &c. R. Amen.

V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.

R. Amen.

In Paschal time.

THE ANTIPHON.

Regina Oceli, lettare i alleluia. Quia quem meruisti portare; alle-

Resurrexit sicut flixit; alleluia. Ora pro nobis Deum; alleluia.

V. Gaude et lætare, Virgo Maria: alleluia.

R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere: alleluia.

Oremus.

Deus, qui per resurrectio-

Joy to thee, @ Queen of Heaven! alleluis. He whom thou wast meet to

bear; alleluia.

a he promis'd, hath arise

As he promis'd, hath arisen; alleluia.

Pour for us to him thy prayer; alleluis.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O

Virgin Mary: alleluia.

R. For the Lord hath risen indeed: alleluia.

Let us pray.

Let us pray.

O God, who didst vouch-

nem Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi mundum lætificare dignatus es; præsta, quæsumus, ut per ejus Genitricem Virginem Mariam perpetuæ capiamus gaudia vitæ. Per eumdem Christum, &c.

R. Amen.

V. Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum.

R. Amen.

safe to give joy to the world through the resurrection of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ; grant, we beseech thee, that, through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ, &c.

R. Amen.

V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.

R. Amen.

From the Feast of the Holy Trinity to Advent.

THE ANTIPHON.

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiæ;

nos converte:

Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.

Ad te clamamus, exules filii Hevæ;

Ad te suspiramus, gementes et fientes in hac lacrymarum valle.

Eia ergo, Advocata nostra, Illos tuos misericordes oculos ad

TA Yanum banadistam fatefum

Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, Nobis post hoc exilium ostende,

O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

V. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui gloriosæ Virginis Matris Mariæ corpus et animan, ut dignum Filh tui habitaculum effici mereretur, Spiritu Sancto co-operante, præparasi;da,ut cujus commemoratione

Mother of mercy, hail, O gentle Queen? Our life, our sweetness, and our hope, all hail?

Children of Eve,

To thee we cry from our sad banishment;

To thee we send our sighs, Weeping and mourning in this tearful vale.

Come, then, our Advocate; Oh, turn on us those pitying eyes of thine:

And our long exile past,

Shew us at last
Jesus, of thy pure womb the fruit
divine.

O Virgin Mary, mother blest! O sweetest, gentlest, holiest!

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christy

Let us pray.

O almighty everlasting God, who, by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, didst prepare the body and soul of Mary, glorious Virgin and Mother, to become the worthy habitation of thy Son; grant that

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lætamur, ejus pia intercessione ab instantibus malis et a morte perpetua liberemur. Per eumdem Christum, &c.

R. Amen.

V. Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum.

R. Amen.

we may be delivered from instant evils and from everlasting death by her pious intercession, in whose commemoration we rejoice. Through the same Christ, &c.

R. Amen.

V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.

R. Amen.

From Advent to the Purification.

THE ANTIPHON.

Alma Redemptoris Mater. quæ pervia cœli curre cadenti.

genuisti. Natura mirante, tuum sanctum

Genitorem : Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis

Sumens illud Ave. peccatorum miserere.

Mother of Christ! hear thou thy people's cry, Porta manes, et Stella maris, suc- Star of the deep, and Portal of the

skyl Surgere qui curat, populo: tu quæ Mother of Him who thee from nothing made,

Sinking we strive, and call to thee for aid: Oh, by that joy which Gabriel

brought to thee, Thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.

In Advent.

V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ.

R. Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

Oremus.

Gratiam tuam, quæsumus, Domine, mentibus nostris infunde; ut qui, angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui incarnationem cognovimus, per passionem ejus et crucem ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

V. The angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech thee. O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amenoogle

From Christmas-day to the Purification.

V. Post partum virgo inviolata permansisti.

R. Dei Genitrix, intercede pro nobis.

Oremus.

Deus, qui salutis æternæ, beatæ Mariæ virginitate fecunda, humano generi præmia præstitisti ; tribue, quæsumus, ut ipsam pro nobis intercedere sentiamus, per quam meruimus auctorem vitæ suscipere. Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum. Qui tecum vivit, &c.

R. Amen.

Psalm exxvi.

Nisi Dominus ædificaverit domum: * in vanum laboraverunt qui ædificant cam.

Nisi Dominus custodierit civitatem: * frustra vigilat qui custodit eam.

Vanum est vobis ante lucem surgere: * surgite postquam sederitis, qui manducatis panem doloris.

Cum dederit dilectis suis somnum : * ecce hæreditas Domini filii, merces fructus ventris.

Sicut sagittæ in manu potentis: * ita filii excussorum.

Beatus vir qui implevit desiderium suum ex ipsis: * non confundetur, cum loquetur inimicis suis in porta.

Gloria, &c.

V. After child-birth thou didst remain a pure virgin.

R. Intercede for us, O Mother of God.

Let us pray.

O God, who, by the fruitful virginity of blessed Mary, hast given to mankind the rewards of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech thee, that we may experience her intercession for us, through whom we have merited to receive the author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son. Who liveth. &c. R. Amen.

1 Unless the Lord build the house: they labour in

vain that build it. 2 Unless the Lord keep the

city: he watcheth in vain that keepeth it. 3 In vain ye rise before the

light: rise not till ye have rested, O ye that eat the bread of sorrow.

4 When he hath given sleep to his beloved: lo, children are an heritage from the Lord, and the fruit of the womb a reward.

5 Like as arrows in the hand of the mighty one: so are the children of those who have been cast out.

6 Blessed is the man whose desire is satisfied with them : he shall not be confounded. when he speaketh with his enemies in the gate.

Glory, &c.

Exposition and Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament.

When the Priest opens the Tabernacle, and incenses the Blessed Sacrament, is sung the Hymn,

O salutaris Hostia. Quæ cœli pandis ostium: Bella premunt hostilia, • Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempiterna gloria, Qui vitam sine termino Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide The gate of heav'n to man below: Our foes press on from every side : Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

To thy great name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, one in three! Oh, grant us endless length of days In our true native land with thee. Amen.

After which follows the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, see p. 312, or some Psalm, or Antiphon, or Hymn appropriate to the Feast, or in honour of the Most Holy Sacrament.

Then is sung the Hymn Tantum ergo Sacramentum, all present making a profound inclination (not prostration) while the words Veneremur cernui are being said.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Bt antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Præstet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.

Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail: Lo! o'er ancient forms departing, Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying

Where the feeble senses fail. To the everlasting Father, And the Son who reigns on high, With the Holy Ghost proceeding Forth from each eternally, Be salvation, honour, blessing,

Might, and endless majesty!

y. Panem de cœlo præsti-

tisti eis. [Alleluia.] R. Omne delectamentum in se habentum. [Alleluia.]

Oremus.

Deus, qui nobis sub Sacramento mirabili, passionia tuæ memoriam reliquisti : tribue, quæsumus, ita nos corporis et anguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari; ut redemptionis tase fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis, &c. Anen.

Then are sung the following Versicle and Prayer. Y. Thou didst give them bread from heaven. Alleluia. Ry. Containing in itself all sweetness. [Alleluia.]

Let us pray.

O God, who, under a wonderful Sacrament, hast left us a memorial of thy passion; grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy body and blood, that we may ever feel within us the fruit of thy redemption. Who livest, &c. Amen.

Various Bralms for Occasional Use,

BEFORE AND AFTER CONFESSION OR COMMUNION. MORNING AND EVENING, AND AT OTHER TIMES.

Psalm xix. Exaudiat te Dominus.

in the day of tribulation : may the name of the God of Jacob protect thee.

2 May he send thee help from the sanctuary: and de-

fend thee out of Sion.

3 May he be mindful of all thy sacrifices: and may thy whole burnt-offering be made fat before him.

4 May he give unto thee according to thy heart: and confirm all thy counsel.

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation: and in the name of our God shall we be exalted.

6 May the Lord fulfil all

1 May the Lord hear thee thy petitions: now know I that the Lord hath saved his Anointed.

7 He will hear him from his holy heaven: the salvation of his right hand is in powers.

8 Some upon chariots, and some upon horses; but we will call upon the name of the Lord

our God.

9 They are fast bound, and have fallen: but we are risen. and stand upright.

10 O Lord, save the king: and hear us in the day, that we

shall call upon thee.

Glory &c.

Psalm lxxxiii.

Quam dilécta tabernácula tua, Dómine virtútum! concupiscit et déficit ánima mea in átria Dómini.

Cor meum et caro mea exultavérunt in Deum vivum.

Etenim passer invenit sibi domum: et turtur nidum sibi,

Quam dilecta.

 How lovely are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts: my soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord.

2 My heart and my flesh. have rejoiced in the living God.

3 For the sparrow hat found her a house: and the

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ubi ponat pullos suos.

Altaria tua, Dómine virtútum: Rex meus, et Deus meus.

Beati qui habitant in domo tua, Domine: in sæcula sæculorum laudabunt te.

Beátus vir cujus est auxílium abs te: ascensiónes in corde suo dispósuit, in valle lacrymárum, in loco quem pósuit.

Etenim benedictionem dabit legislator, ibunt de virtûte in virtûtem: videbitur Deus deorum in Sion.

Dómine Deus virtútum, exaúdi orationem meam: auribus pércipe, Deus Jacob.

Protector noster aspice, Deus: et réspice in faciem Christi tui.

Quia mélior est dies una in átriis tuis super millia.

Elégi abjéctus esse in domo Dei mei, magis quam habitáre in tabernáculis peccatórum.

Quia misericórdiam, et veritátem díligit Deus: grátiam et glóriam dabit Dóminus.

Non privábit bonis eos qui ámbulant in innocéntia: Dómine virtútum, beátus homo qui sperat in te.

Gloria, &c.

turtle a nest for herself, where she may lay her young.

4 Even thy altars, O Lord of hosts: my King and my God.

5 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord: they shall praise thee for ever and ever.

6 Blessed is the man whose help is from thee: in his heart he hath disposed to ascend by steps, in the vale of tears, in the place that he hath fixed.

7 For the lawgiver shall give a blessing, they shall go from virtue to virtue: the God of gods shall be seen in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob.

9 Behold, O God, our protector: and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

10 For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.

If I have chosen rather to be an abject in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tabernacles of sinners.

12 For God loveth mercy and truth: the Lord will give

grace and glory.

13 He will not deprive of good things them that walk in innocemee: O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that hopeth in thee.

Glory, &c.

Psalm cii. Benedic, anima.

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul: and let all that is within me bless his holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul: and forget not all his benefits.

3 Who forgiveth thee all

thine iniquities: who healeth

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction: who crowneth thee with mercy and compassion.

5 Who satisfieth thy desire

with good things: thy youth shall be renewed like the eagle's.

6 The Lord doeth mercies: and judgment for all that suf-

fer wrong.

7 He hath made his ways known unto Moses: his will unto the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy.

9 He will not alway be angry: neither will he threaten

for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us according to our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11 For according to the height of the heaven above the earth: hath he strengthened his mercy towards them that fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west: so far hath he removed our iniquities from

us. 13 As a father hath pity on his children, so hath the Lord pity on them that fear him: for he knoweth whereof we are made.

14 He remembereth that we are but dust: man's days are as grass; as the flower of the field, so shall he flourish.

15 For the spirit shall pass away in him, and he shall not be: and he shall know his place

no more.

16 But the mercy of the Lord is from eternity: and unto eternity upon them that fear him.

17 And his justice upon children's children: even upon such as keep his covenant.

18 And are mindful of his commandments: to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his throne in heaven: and his kingdom shall rule over all.

20 Bless the Lord, all ye his angels: ye that are mighty in strength, and fulfil his commandment, hearkening unto the voice of his words.

21 Bless the Lord, all ye

his hosts: ye ministers of his, that do his will.

22 Bless the Lord, all ye his works: in every place of his dominion, O my soul, bless thou the Lord.

Glory, &c.

Psalm cxxxvii.

Confitebor tibi.

1 I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: for thou hast heard the words of my mouth.

2 In the sight of the angels will I sing praise unto thee: I will adore towards thy holy temple, and give praise unto thy name.

8 For thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake: for thou hast magnified thy name above all

things.

4 Oh, hear me in what day soever I shall call upon thee: thou shalt multiply strength

in my soul.

5 Let all the kings of the earth praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard all the words of thy mouth.

6 And let them sing in the

ways of the Lord: for great is the glory of the Lord.

7 For the Lord is high, and looketh upon the humble: and the lofty he knoweth afar off.

8 If I shall walk in the midst of tribulation, thou wilt quicken me: and against the

wrath of mine enemies thou hast stretched forth thy hand, and thy right hand hath saved me.

9 The Lord will repay for me: thy mercy endureth for ever; despise not the works of thine own hands.

Glory, &c.

Ps. cxxvii. Beati omnes.

Beati omnes qui timent Dóminum : * qui ambulant in viis ejus.

Labóres mánuum tuárum quia manducábis: * beátus es, et bene tibi erit.

Uxor tua sicut vitis abúndans: * in latéribus domus tuæ.

Filii tui sicut novéllæ olivárum: * in circúitu mensæ tuæ.

Ecce sic benedicétur homo:

* qui timet Dóminum.

Benedicat tibi Dóminus ex Sion: * et vídeas bona Jerúsalem ómnibus diébus vitæ tuæ.

Et vídeas fílios filiórum tuórum: * pacem super Israel.

Glória, &c.

1 Blessed are all they tha fear the Lord: that walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat of the labour of thine hands: blessed art thou, and it shall be well with thee.

3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: on the walls of thy house.

4 Thy children as oliveplants: round about thy table.

5 Behold, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

6 May the Lord bless thee out of Sion: and mayest thou see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

7 And mayest thou see thy children's children: peace upon Israel.

Glory, &c.

Te Deum laudamus.

Te Deum laudámus: * te Dóminum confitémur.

Te ætérnum Patrem * omnis terra venerátur.

Tibi omnes angeli, * tibi cœli, et univérsæ potestátes: We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

Thee, the Father everlasting, all the earth doth worship.

To thee, all angels; to thee, the heavens and all the powers:

Tibi chérubim et séraphim,

* incessábili voce proclámant: Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,

Dóminus Deus Sábaoth: Pleni sunt cœli et terra, " majestátis glóriæ tuæ.

Te gloriósus * Apostolórum

chorus. Te Prophetárum * Iaudá-

bilis númerus. Te Mártyrum candidátus *

laudat exércitus. Te per orbem terrárum. * sancta confitétur Ecclésia.

Patrem * imménsæ majestátia.

Venerandum tuum verum *

et unicum Filium. Sanctum quoque * Pará-

clitum Spíritum. Tu Rex glórize, * Christe.

Tu Patris * sempitérnus es Filius.

Tu ad liberándum susceptúrus hóminem, * non horruisti Virginis aterum.

Tu devícto mortis acúleo. * aperuísti credéntibus regna cœlórum.

Tu ad déxteram Dei sedes. * in glória Patris.

Judex créderis * esse ventúrus.

¹ Tè ergo quæsumus, tuis fámulis súbveni, * quos pretióso sánguine redemisti.

Ætérna fac cum Sanctis tuis, * in glória numerari.

To thee, the cherubim and seraphim continually cry:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth:

The heavens and the earth are full: of the majesty of thy

glory. Thee, the glerious choir of

Apostles: Thee, the admirable com-

pany of Prophets:

Thee, the white-robed army

of Martyrs praise. Thee, the Holy Church throughout the world doth

acknowledge. The Father of infinite ma-

jesty: Thine adorable, true, and only Son:

Also the Holy Ghost, the Paraclete.

Thou, O Christ, art the King of Glory.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

Thou, having taken upon thee to deliver man, didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

Thou, having overcome the sting of death, hast opened to believers the kingdom of heaven.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

Thou, we believe, art the Judge to come.

We beseech thee therefore to help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting.

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¹ Here it is usual to kneel.

Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine, * et bénedic hæreditáti tuæ.

Et rege eos, et extólle illos, * usque in ætérnum.

Per singulos dies * benedicimus te.

Et laudámus nomen tuum

in sæculum, * et in sæculum sæculi.

Dignáre, Dómine, die isto, sine peccáto nos custodíre.

Miserére nostri, Dómine, miserére nostri.

Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos: * quemádmodum sperávimus in te.

In te, Dómine, sperávi : * non confúndar in ætérnum.

O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine inheritance.

And govern them and lift them up, for ever.

Day by day, we bless thee.

And we praise thy name for ever: yea, for ever and ever.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, this day: to keep us without sin.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord: have mercy upon us. Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us: as we have trusted in thee.

In thee, O Lord, have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

On occasions of Thanksgiving the following are added:

 Benedictus es, Domine, Deus Patrum nostrorum.

R. Et laudabilis, et glori-

osus in sæcula. 🕅 . Benedicamus Patrem et Filium, cum Sancto Spiritu.

Ry. Laudemus et superexaltemus eum in sæcula.

y. Benedictus es, Domine Deus, in firmamento cœli.

Ry. Et laudabilis, et gloriosus, et superexaltatus in sæcula.

 Benedic, anima mea, Dominum.

R. Et noli oblivisci retributiones ejus.

y. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

Ry. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

V. Dominus vobiscum.

By. Lt cum spiritu tuo.

V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers. Ry. And worthy to be prais-

ed, and glorious for ever. V. Let us bless the Father

and the Son, with the Holy Ghost.

Ry. Let us praise and magnify him for ever.

y. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

Ry. And worthy to be praised, glorious and exalted for ever.

y. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Ry. And forget not all his benefits.

O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

y. The Lord be with you. Ry. And with thy spirit.

Oremus.

Deus, cujus misericordize non est numerus, et bonitatis infinitas est thesaurus piissimæ majestati tuæ pro collatis donis gratias agimus, tuam semper elementiam exorantes: ut qui petentibus postulata concedis, eosdem non deserens, ad præmia futura disponas.

Deus, qui corda fidelium Sancti Spiritus illustratione docuisti: da nobis in eodem Spiritu recta sapere, et de ejus semper consolatione gaudere.

Deus, qui neminem in te sperantem nimium affligi permittis, sed pium precibus prestas auditum: pro postulationibus nostris, votisque susceptis gratias agimus, te piissime deprecantes, ut a cunctis semper muniamur adversis. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

Ry. Amen.

Benedictus.

Benedictus Déminus Deus Israel: * quia visitávit, et fecit redemptionem plebis suæ.

Et eréxit cornu salútis nobis, * in domo David púeri sui.

Sicut locátus est per os sanctórum, * qui a sæculo sunt Prophetárum ejus.

Salútem ex inimícis nostris, * et de manu émnium qui odérunt nos. Let us pray.

O God, whose mercies are without number, and the treasure of whose goodness is infinite; we render thanks to thy most gracious Majesty for the gifts thou hast bestowed upon us, evermore beseeching thy clemency: that as thou grantest the petitions of them that ask thee, thou wilt never forsake them, but wilt prepare them for the rewards to come.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit; grant us, by the same Spirit, to relish what is right, and evermore to rejoice in his consola-

tion.
O God, who sufferest none that hope in thee to be afflicted over much, but dost afford a gracious ear unto their prayers; we render thee thanks for that thou hast heard our supplications and vows; and we most humbly beseeth thee, that we may evermore be protected from all adversities. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

1 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and wrought the redemption of his people.

2 Andhath raised up a horn of salvation to us: in the house of his servant David.

3 As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets: who are from the beginning.

4 Salvation from our enemies: and from the hand of all that hate us.

Ad faciéndam misericordiam cum pátribus nestris. et memorári testaménti sui sancti.

Jusiurándum quod jurávit ad Abraham patrem nostrum,

* datúrum se nobis.

Ut sine timóre, de manu inimicórum nostrórum liberáti, * serviámus illi,

In sanctitáte et justitia coram ipso, * ómnibus diébus

nostris.

Et tu, puer, Prophéta Altíssimi vocáberis; præfbis enim ante fáciem Dómini, paráre vias ejus.

Ad dandam sciéntiam salútis plebi ejus; * in remissiónem peccatórum eórum.

Per víscera misericórdiæ Dei nostri; * in quibus visitávit nos óriens ex alto.

Illuminare his, qui in ténebris et in umbra mortis sedent: * ad dirigéndos pedes nostros in viam pacis. Glória, &c.

5 To perform mercy to our fathers: and to remember his holy testament.

6 The oath that he sware to Abraham our father : that he would grant unto us:

7 That being delivered from the hands of our enemies : we may serve him without fear,

8 In holiness and justice before him: all the days of

our life.

9 And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways.

10 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people: for the remission of their sins.

11 Through the bowels of the mercy of our God: whereby the orient from on high hath visited us.

12 To enlighten them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : to direct our feet into the way of peace.

Glory, &c.

The Benedicite, or Song of the Three Children (Dan. iii.).

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: bless the

Lord, ye heavens.

O all ye waters that are above the heavens, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, all ve powers of the Lord.

O ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord,

ye stars of heaven.

bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, all ye spirits of God.

O ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, ye winter and summer.

O ye dews and hoar frost, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, ye frost and cold.

O ye ice and snow, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, ye

nights and days.

O ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord: bless the O all ye showers and dew, Lord, ye lightnings and clouds.

O let the earth bless the Lord: let it praise and exalt him above all for ever.

O ye mountains and hills.

bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, all things that spring forth upon the earth.

O ye fountains, bless ve the Lord: bless the Lord, ye seas

and floods.

O ye whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, all ve fowls of the air.

O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord: bless the

Lord, ye sons of men.

Let Israel bless the Lord: let him praise and exalt him above all for ever.

O ve priests of the Lord. bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, ye servants of the Lord.

O ye spirits and souls of the just, bless ye the Lord: bless the Lord, all ve that are holv and humble of heart.

O Ananias, Azarias, Misael, bless ye the Lord: praise and exalt him above all for ever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, with the Holy Ghost: let us praise and exalt him above all for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: worthy to be praised, and glorious, and exalted above all

for ever.

The Creed of St. Athanasius.

Whosoever will be saved, before all things it is necessary, that he hold the Catholic faith.

Which faith, except every one do keep entire and inviolate, without doubt he shall

perish everlastingly.

Now the Catholic faith is this; that we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity.

Neither confounding the Persons, nor dividing the sub-

stance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son, another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one; the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the

Holy Ghost. The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate, the Holy Ghost

uncreate.

The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible, the Holy Ghost incomprehensible.

The Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Ghost eternal.

And yet they are not three eternals, but one eternal.

As also they are not three uncreates, nor three incomprehensibles; but one uncreate, and one incomprehen-

sible.

In like manner the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, and the Holy Ghost almighty.

And yet they are not three almighties, but one almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son God, and the Holy Ghost God.

And yet they are not three

Gods, but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, and the Holy Ghost is Lord.

And yet they are not three

Lords, but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord:

So we are forbidden by the Catholic religion to say there are three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none, neither created, nor begotten.

The Son is from the Father alone, not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is from the Father and the Son, not made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity, there is nothing before or after, nothing greater or less; but the whole three Persons are coeternal together and coequal.

So that in all things, as is aforesaid, the Unity is to be worshipped in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity.

He, therefore, that will be saved, must thus think of the

Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation, that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now the right faith is, that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is both God and

He is God of the substance of his Father, begotten before the world; and he is man of the substance of his Mother. born in the world:

Perfect God and perfect man; of reasonable soul and human flesh subsisting.

Equal to the Father according to his Godhead; and less than the Father according to his manhood.

Who, although he be both God and man, yet he is not

two, but one Christ:

One, not by the conversion of the Godhead into flesh, but by the taking of the manhood unto God :

One altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by

unity of person.

For as the reasonable soul and the flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ.

Who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead.

He ascended into heaven: he sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies, and shall give an account of their own works.

And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting; and they that have done evil, into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholic faith,

which except a man believe faithfully and steadfastly, he cannot be saved.

Glory, &c.

Psalm l.

Miserère mei, Deus: * secúndum magnam misericórdiam tuam.

Et secúndum multitúdinem miseratiónum tuárum: * dele

iniquitátem meam.
Amplius lava me ab iniquitáte mea: * et a peccáto meo munda me.

Quóniam, iniquitatem meam ego cognosco: * et peccatum meum contra me est semper.

Tibi soli peocávi, et malum coram te feci: * ut justificéris in serménibus tuis, et vincas cura judicáris.

Ecce enim in iniquitátibus concéptus sum : * et in peccátis concépit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti: * incerta et occulta sapientiæ tuæ manifestásti mihi.

Aspérges me hyssépe, et mundábor: * lavábis me, et super nivem dealbábor.

Audítui meo dabis gaúdium et lætítiam: * et exultábunt ossa humiliáta.

Avérte fáciem tuam a peccátis meis : * et omnes iniquitátes meas dele.

Cor mundum cres in me,

Miserere.

1 Have mercy upon me, O God: according to thy great

mercy.

2 And according to the multitude of thy tender mer-

cies: blot out my iniquity.

3 Wash me yet more from
my iniquity: and cleanse me
from my sin.

4 For I acknowledge my iniquity: and my sin is always

before me.

me.

5 Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil in thy sight: that thou mayest be justified in thy words, and mayest overcome when thou art judged.

6 For behold, I was conceived in iniquities: and in sins did my mother conceive

7 For behold, thou hast loved truth: the uncertain and hidden things of thy wisdom thou hast made manifest unto me.

8 Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

9 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: and the bones that were humbled shall rejoice.

10 Turn away thy face from my sins: and blot out all my

iniquities.

11 Create in me a clean

Deus: * et spiritum rectum innova in viscéribus meis.

Ne projícias me a fácie tua :* et Spíritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.

Redde mihi lætítiam salutáris tui: * et spíritu princi-

náli confirma me.

Docébo iníquos vias tuas :* et împii ad te converténtur.

Libera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salútis mese : * et exultabit lingua mea justítiam tuam.

Dómine. lábia mea apéries:* os meum annuntiábit

landem tuam.

Quóniam si voluisses sacrifícium, dedissem útique : * holocaústis non delectáberis.

Sacrificium Dec spiritus contribulátus: * cor contrítum et humiliatum. Deus. despícies.

Benigne fac, Dómine, in bona voluntáte tua Sion : * ut ædificéntur muri Jerúsalem.

Tunc acceptábis sacrifícium justítiæ, oblationes, et holocaústa: * tunc impónent super altare tuum vitulos.

Glória, &c.

Psalm exxix.

De profundis clamávi ad te. Dómine: * Dómine, exaúdi vocem meam.

Fiant aures tuæ intendéntes * in vocem deprecationis meæ.

Si iniquitates observaveris, Dómine: * Dómine, quis sustinébit?

heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within my bowels.

12 Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

13 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation : and strengthen me with a perfect spirit.

14 I will teach the unjust thy ways: and the wicked shall be converted unto thee.

15 Deliver me from blocd, O God, thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall extol thy justice.

16 Thou shalt open my lips. O Lord: and my mouth shall

declare thy praise.

17 For if thou hadst desired sacrifice, I would surely have given it: with burnt-offerings thou wilt not be delighted.

18 The sacrifice to God is an afflicted spirit: a contrite and humble heart. O God. thou wilt not despise.

19 Deal favourably, OLord, in thy good will with Sion : that the walls of Jerusalem

may be built up.

20 Then shalt thou accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations, and whole burnt-offerings: then shall they lay calves upon thine altars.

Glory, &c.

De profundis.

1 Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

2 Oh, let thine ears consider well: the voice of my

supplication.

3 If thou, O Lord, shalt mark iniquities: Lord, who shall abide it?

Quia apud te propitiátio est: * et propter legem tuam sustinui te. Dómine.

Sustínuit ánima mea in verbo ejus: * sperávit ánima mea in Dómino.

A custódia matutína usque ad noctem: * speret Israel in Dómino.

Quia apud Dóminum misericórdia: * et copiósa apud eum redémptio.

Et ipse rédimet Israel, * ex ómnibus iniquitatibus ejus.

Lauda, Jerusalem, Dominum: * lauda Deum tuum, Sion.

Quoniam confortavit seras portarum tuarum: * benedixit filiis tuis in te.

Qui posuit fines tuos pacem: * et adipe frumenti satiat te.

Qui emittit eloquium suum terræ: * velociter currit sermo ejus.

Qui dat nivem sicut lanam: * nebulam sicut cinerem spargit.

Mittiterystallum suam sicut buccellas: * ante faciem frigoris ejus quis sustinebit?

Emittet verbum suum, et liquefaciet ea : * flabit spiritus ejus, et fluent aquæ.

Qui annuntiat verbum suum Jacob: * justitias et judicia sua Israel

Non fecit taliter omni nationi: * et judicia sua non manifestavit eis.

4 For with thee there is propitiation: and because of thy law I have waited for thee, O Lord.

5 My soul hath waited on his word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

6 From the morning watch even until night: let Israel hope in the Lord.

For with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is

plenteous redemption. 8 And he shall redeem Is-

rael from all his iniquities.

Psalm cxlvii.

1 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God, O Sion.

2 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates: he hath blessed thy children within thee.

3 He hath made peace within thy borders: and filleth thee with the fatness of corn.

4 He sendeth forth his commandment on the earth: his word runneth very swiftly.

5 He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.

6 He sendeth his ice like morsels: who is able to abidehis frost?

7 He shall send forth his word, and melt them: he shall blow with his wind, and the waters shall flow.

8 He maketh known his word unto Jacob: his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

9 He hath not dealt so with any nation: neither hath he shewed them his judgments. Google

The Little Office

OF THE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

The text from which the present translation has been made is an exact copy of the Office as published by authority at Rome, in 1838. Vide Colleste Palmetum, p. 243.]

AT MATING.

Eja, mea labia, nunc annuntiate Laudes et præconia Virginis heatm.

Come, my lips, and wide proclaim The blessed Virgin's anothers fame.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende. R. Me de manu hostium pe-

tenter defende.

V. Gleria Petri. Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me. R. From the hands of the

enemy mightily defend me. V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Allelnia.

From Septuagesima to Baster, instead of Allelvia is said:

Laus tibi. Demine, Rex **æterne** gloriæ.

Praise be to thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

HYMN.

Salve, mundi Domina, Coelorum Regina: Salve, Virgo virginum, Stella matutina.

Salve, plena gratia, Clara luce divina: Mundi in suxilium. Domina, festina.

Ab æterno Dominus Te præordinavit Matrem unigeniti Verbi, quo creavit.

Hail, Queen of the heavens! Hail, Mistress of earth! Hail, Virgin most pure, Of immaculate birth i

Clear star of the morning, In beauty enshrin'd? O Lady, make speed To the help of mankind.

Thee God in the depth Of eternity chose; And form'd thee all fair As his glorious Spouse: Terram, pontum, æthera: Te pulchram ornavit Sibi Sponsam, quæ in Adam non peccavit.

Amen.

And call'd thee his Word's
Own Mother to be,
By whom he created
The earth, sky, and sea.
Amen.

V. Elegit eam Deus, et præelegit eam.

R. In tabernaculo suo habitare fecit eam.

V. Domina, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Oremus.

Sancta Maria, Regina cœlorum, mater Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et mundi Domina, quæ nullum derelinguis, et nullum despicis; respice me, Domina, dementer oculo pietatis, et impetra mihi apud tuum dilectum Filium cunctorum veniam peccatorum : ut qui nunc tuam sanctam et immaculatam Conceptionem devoto affectu recolo, æternæ in futurum beatitudinis bravium capiam, ipso, quem virgo peperisti, donante Domino nostro Jesu Christo: qui cum Patre et Sancto Spiritu vivit et regnat, in Trinitate perfecta Deus in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

V. Domina, exaudi orationem meam.

R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

V. Benedicamus Domino. R. Deo gratias.

V. Fidelium animæ per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.

R. Amen.

V. God elected her, and preelected her.

R. He made her to dwell in his tabernacle.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

Holy Mary, Queen of heaven. Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, and Mistress of the world, who forsakest no one. and despisest no one; look upon me, O Lady, with an eye of pity, and entreat for me, of thy beloved Son, the forgiveness of all my sins; that, as I now celebrate with devout affection thy holy and immaculate Conception, so, hereafter, I may receive the prize of eternal blessedness. by the grace of him whom thou, in virginity, didst bring forth, Jesus Christ our Lord; who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, in perfect Trinity, God, world without end. Amen.

V. O Lady, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

V. May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

B. Amen.Digitized by GOOG [C

AT PRIME.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri. Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.
V. Glory be to the Father,

&c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, Virgo sapiens, Domus Deo dicata, Columna septemplici Mensaque exornata.

Ab omni contagio Mundi præservata: Ante sancta in utero Parentis, quam nata.

Tu, Mater viventium, Et porta es Sanctorum: Nova stella Jacob, Domina Angelorum.

Zabulo terribilis Acies castrorum: Portus et refugium Sis Christianorum.

Amen.

V. Ipse creavit illam in Spiritu Sancto.

R. Et effudit illam inter omnia opera sua.

V. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Oratione ut supra.)

Hail, Virgin most wise! Hail, Deity's shrine! With seven fair pillars, And table divine!

Preserv'd from the guilt
Which hath come on us all!
Exempt in the womb,
From the taint of the Fall!

O new star of Jacob!
Of Angels the Queen!
O gate of the Saints!
O mother of men!

O terrible as
The embattled array!
Be thou of the faithful
The refuge and stay.

Amen.

V. The Lord himself created her in the Holy Ghost.

R. And poured her out among all his works.

V. O Lady, hear, &c. (with the Prayer and Versicles, as at p. 430,)

AT TERCE.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri. Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, arca fæderis, Thronus Salomonis, Arcus pulcher ætheris, Rubus visionis: Hail, Solomon's throne!
Pure ark of the law!
Fair rainbow! and bush,
Which the Patriarch saw!

Virga frondens germinis: Vellus Gedeonis: Porta clausa numinis, Favusque Samsonis.

Decebat tam nobilem Natum. præcavere Ab originali Labe Matris Evæ

Almam, quam elegerat. Genitricem vere, Nulli prorsus sinens

Culpæ subjacere.

Amen.

V. Ego in altissimis habito. R. Et thronus meus in columna nubis.

V. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Oratione ut supra.)

Hail, Gedeon's fleece! Hail, blossoming rod ! Samson's sweet honeycomb! Portal of God!

Well fitting it was, That a Son so divine Should preserve from all touch

Of original sin; Nor suffer by smallest Defect to be stain'd.

That Mother, whom he For himself had ordain'd. Amen.

V. I dwell in the highest. R. And my throne is on the pillar of the clouds. V. O Lady, hear, &c. (with the Prayer and Versicles, as at

p. 430.)

AT SEXT.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium po-

tenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri. Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, Virgo puerpera, Templum Trinitatia, Angelorum gaudium, Cella puritatis:

Solamen mærentium, Hortus voluptatis: • Palma patientiæ, Cedrus castitatis.

Terra es benedicta Et sacerdotalis. Sancta et immunis Culpæ originalis. Civitas altissimi,

Porta orientalis: In te est omnis gratia. Virgo singularis.

Amen.

Hail, virginal Mother! Hail, purity's cell! Fair shrine where the Trinity Loveth to dwell!

Hail, garden of pleasure ! Celestial balm! Cedar of chastity! Martyrdom's palm!

Thou land set apart From uses profane! And free from the curse Which in Adam began !

Thou city of God ! Thou gate of the east! In thee is all grace, O joy of the blest !

men.

V. Sicut lilium inter spinas.

V. As the lily among the thorns.

R. Sic amica mea inter filias Adæ.

V. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Orations ut supra.

R. So is my beloved among the daughters of Adam.

V. O Lady, hear, &c. (with the Prayer and Versicles, as at p. 430.)

AT NONE.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium po-

tenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri. Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

Hail, David's high tower!

With battlements crown'd

Fill'd at thy Conception

O woman most valiant!

As the saviour of Egypt

Upon Rachel's knee:

As David was nurs'd

O Judith thrice blest !

And girded with power!

With love and with light! The dragon by thee

Was shorn of his might.

In fair Abishag's breast;

So the world's great Redeemer Was cherish'd by thee.

Amen.

Hail, city of refuge !

HYMN.

Salve, urbs refugii, Turrisque munita David, propugnaculis Armisque insignita.

In Conceptione Charitate ignita, Draconis potestas Est a te contrita.

O mulier fortis. Et invicta Judith! Pulchra Abisag virgo, Verum fovens David!

Rachel curatorem Ægypti gestavit: Salvatorem mundi Maria portavit.

Amen.

V. Tota pulchra es, amica

R. Et macula originalis num-

quam fuit in te.

V. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Oratione ut supra.)

mea.

V. Thou art all fair, my beloved. R. And the original stain was never in thee.

V. O Lady, hear, &c. (with the Prayer and Versicles, as at p. 430.)

AT VESPERS.

Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri, Alleluia.

V. O Lady, make speed to hefriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, horologium, Quo retrogradiatur Sol in decem lineis; Verbum incarnatur.

Homo ut ab inferis Ad summa attollatur, Immensus ab Angelis Paulo minoratur.

Solis hujus radiis Maria coruscat; Consurgens aurora In conceptu micat.

Lilium inter spinas, Quæ serpentis conterst Caput: pulchra ut luna Errantes collustrat.

Amen.

V. Ego feci in cœlis, ut oriretur lumen indeficiens.

R. Et quasi nebula texi om-

v. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Oratione ut supra.)

Hail, dial of Achaz!
On thee the true sum
Told backward the course
Which from old he had run!

And, that man might be rais'd, Submitting to shame,

A little more low Than the Angels became.

Thou, wrapt in the blaze
Of his infinite light,
Dost shine as the mora
On the confines of night:

As the moon on the lost
Through obscurity dawns;
The serpent's destroyer!

A lily 'mid thorns!

V. I made an unfailing light to arise in heaven.

R. And, as a mist, I overspread the whole earth.

V. O Lady, hear, &c. (with the Prayer and Versicles, as at p. 430.)

AT COMPLINE.

V. Convertat nos, Domina, tuis precibus placatus Jesus Christus Filius tuus.

R. Et avertat iram suam a nobis.

V. Domina, in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Me de manu hostium potenter defende.

V. Gloria Patri. Alleluia.

V. May Jesus Christ thy Son, reconciled by thy prayers, O Lady, convert our hearts.

R. And turn away his anger from us.

V. O Lady, make speed to befriend me.

R. From the hands of the enemy mightily defend me.

V. Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

HYMN.

Salve, Virgo florens, Mater illibata, Regina clementise, Stellis coronata.

Super omnes Angelos Pura, immaculata, Atque ad regis dexteram tans veste deaurata. Hail, Mother most pure! Hail, Virgin renown'd! Hail, Queen with the stars As a diadem crown'd!

Above all the Angels
In glory untold,
Standing next to the King
In a vesture of gold!

Per te, Mater gratiæ, Dulcis spes reorum. Fulrens stella maris. Portus naufragorum.

Patens cœli janua. Salus infirmorum, Videamus Regem In aula Sanctorum_

Amen.

V. Oleum effusum, Maria,

nomen tuum. R. Servi tui dilexerunt te

nimis. V. Domina, exaudi, &c. (p. 430, cum Oratione ut supra.

Pasim exxi.

Lectatus sum in his quæ dicta sunt mihi: * In domum Domini ibimus.

Stantes erant pedes nostri: * in atriis tuis, Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, que ædificatur ut civitas: * cains participatio ejus in idipsum.

Illuc enim ascenderunt tribus, tribus Domini: * testimonium Israel ad confitendum. nomini Domini.

Quia illic sederunt sedes in judicio: * sedes super domum David.

Rogate que ad pacem sunt Jerusalem: * et ahundantia diligentibus te.

Fiat pax in virtute tua:* et abundantia in turribus tuis.

Propter fratres meos et proximos meos: * loquebar pacem de te.

Propter domum Domini Dei nostri: * quæsiyi bona tibi.

O Mother of mercy! O star of the wave!

O hope of the guilty! O light of the grave!

Through thee may we come To the haven of rest: And see heaven's King In the courts of the blest!

Amen.

V. Thy name, O Mary, is as oil poured out. R. Thy servants have loved thee exceedingly.

V. O Lady, hear, &c. (the

Prayer, &c. p. 430.)

1 I was glad at the things that were said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord.

2 Our feet were wont to stand : in thy courts, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem, which is built as a city: that is at unity with itself.

4 For thither did the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord: the testimony of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord.

5 For there are set the seats of judgment: the seats over the house of David.

6 Pray ye for the things that are for the peace of Jerusalem: and plenteousness be to them that love thee.

7 Let peace be in thy strength: and plenteousness

in thy towers.

8 For my brethren and companions' sake: I spake peace concerning thee.

9 Because of the house of the Lord our God: I have sought good things for thee. Digitized by GOOGLO

Various Bymns, Latin and English.

Homn for Bunday at Vespers.

Lucis Creator optime. Lucem dierum proferens. Primordiis lucis novæ, Mundi parans originem.

Qui mane junctum vesperi Diem vocari præcipis: Illabitur tetrum chaos. Audi preces cum fletibus.

Ne mens gravata orimina, Vites sit exul munere. Dum nil perenne cogitat, Seseque culpia illigat.

Coeleste pulset ostium: Vitale tollat pramium: Vitemus omne noxium: Purgemus omne pessimum.

Præsta, Pater piissime. Patrique compar Unice, Cum Spiritu Paraclito. Regnans per omne seculum. Amen.

 Dirigatur, Domine, oratio mea.

IV. Sicut incensum in conspectu tuo.

O blest Creator of the light! Who dost the dawn from darkness bring: [height, And framing nature's depth and Didst with the new-born light begin.

Who gently blending eve with morn, And morn with eve, didst call them [down;

Thick flows the flood of darkness Oh, hear us as we weep and pray!

Keep thou our souls from schemes of crime:

Nor guilt remorseful let them know; Nor, thinking but on things of time. Into eternal darkness go.

Teach us to knock at heaven's high

Teach us the prize of life to win: Teach us all evil to abhor. And purify ourselves within.

Father of mercies, hear our ory: Hear us, O sole-begotten Son! Who, with the Holy Ghost most high. Reignest while endless ages run. Amen.

y. Let my prayer, O Lord. be directed. By. As incense in thy sight.

Veni Creator.

Veni Creator Spiritus, Mentes tuorum visita, Imple superna gratia, Quæ tu creasti pectora.

Qui diceris Paraclitus, Altissimi donum Dei, Fons vivus, ignis, charitas, Et spiritalis unetio.

Tu septiformis munere, Digitus Paternæ dexteræ, Tu rite promissum Patris, Sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus, Infunde amorem cordibus, Infirma nostri corporis Virtute firmans perpeti.

Hostem repellas longius, Pacemque dones protinus; Ductore sic te prævio Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem, Noscamus atque Filium, Teque utriusque Spiritum Credamus omni tempore.

Deo Patri sit gloria, Et Filio, qui a mortuis Surrexit, as Paraclito, In sæculorum sæcula. Come, O Creator Spirit blest!
And in our souls take up thy rest;
Come, with thy grace and heavenly aid, [made.
To fill the hearts which thou hast

Great Paraclete! to thee we cry; O highest gift of God most high! O fount of life! O fire of love! And sweet anointing from above!

Thou in thy sevenfold gifts art known:

The finger of God's hand we own; The promise of the Pather thou! Who dost the tongue with pow'r endow.

Kindle our senses from above, And make our hearts o'erflow with love; [high, With patience firm, and virtue The weakness of our flesh supply.

Far from us drive the foe we dread, And grant us thy true peace instead; [guide, So shall we not, with thee for Turn from the path of life aside.

Oh, may thy grace on us bestow, The Father and the Son to know, And thee through endless times confess'd Of both th eternal Spirit blest.

All glory while the ages run
Be to the Father, and the Son
Who rose from death; the same
to thee,

O Holy Ghost, eternally.

Amen.

Amen.

Lauda Sion.

Lauda, Sion, Salvatorem, Lauda ducem et pastorem, In hymnis et canticis. Quantum potes, tantum aude, Quia major omni laude, Nee laudare sufficis.

Laudis thema specialis, Panis vivus et vitalis Hodie proponitur. Quem in sacræ mensa cœnæ Turbæfratrum duodenæ Datum non ambigitur,

Sit laus plens, sit sonors, Sit jucuada, sit decors, Mentis jubilatio. Dies enim solemnis agitur, In qua mensæ prima recolitur Hujus institutio.

In hac mensa novi Regis, Novum Pascha novæ legis, Phase vetus terminat. Vetustatem novitas, Umbram fugat veritas, Noctem lux eliminat.

Quod in coma Christus gessit, Faciendum hoc expressit In sui memoriam. Docti sacris institutis, Panem, vinum in salutis Consecramus hostiam.

Dogma datur Christianis, Quod in carnem transit panis, Et vinum in sanguinem. Quod non capis, quod non vides, Animosa firmat fides, Præter rerum ordinem.

Sub diversis speciebus, Signis tantum et non rebus, Latent res eximise. Laud, O Sion, thy salvation,
Laud, with hymns of exultation,
Christ thy King and Shepherd
true; [knowest;
Bring him all the praise thou
He is more than thou bestowest;
Never canst thou reach his due.

Special theme for glad thanksgiving
Is the living and life-giving
Bread, to-day before thee set;
From his hands of old partaken
As we know by faith unshaken,
Where the twelve at supper met.

Full and clear ring out thy chanting, [wanting, Joy nor sweetest grace be want-From thy heart let praises burst: For to-day the feast is holden When the institution olden Of that supper is rehears'd.

Here the new law's new oblation By the new King's revelation Ends the ancient paschal rite; Now the new the old effaces, Truth away the shadow chases, Morn dispuls the gloom of night,

What he did, at supper seated, Christ ordain'd to be repeated, His memorial ne'er to cease; And his rule for guidance taking, Bread and wine we hallow, making Thus our sacrifice of peace.

Wondrous truth by Christians learned,

Bread into his flesh is turned, Into precious blood the wine; Sight hath failed, nor thought conceiveth,

But a dauntless faith believeth, Resting on a power divine.

Under diverse forms existing, Signs alone, not things subsisting. Things of priceless worth are veil'd:

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Caro cibus, sanguis potus; Manet tamen Christus totus Sub utraque specie.

A sumente non concisus, Non confractus, non divisus, Integer accipitur. Sumit unus, sumunt mille: Quantum iste, tantum ille: Nec sumptus consumitur.

Sumunt boni, sumunt mali : Sorte tamen inæquali, Vitæ, vel interitus. Mors est malis, vita bonis : Vide paris sumptionis Quam sit dispar exitus.

Fracto demum Sagraments, Ne vacilles, sed memento, Tantum esse sub fragmento, Tmantum toto tegitur. Nulla rei fit scissura, Signi tantum fit fractura, Qua nec status, nec statura Signati mimitur.

Ecce panis Angelerum, Factus cibus viatorum: Vere panis filiorum, Non mittendus canibus. In figuris præsignatur, Cum Isaac immolatur: Agnus Paschæ deputatur: Datur manna patribus.

Bone pastor, panis vere, Jesu nostri miserere: Tu nos pasce, nos tuere: Tu nos bons fac videre In terra viventium. Tu, qui cuncta scis et vales, Oni nos passis ble morteles.

Oni nos pascis hic mortales: Thos ibi commensales, Coheredes, et sodales, Fac sanctorum civium.

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Blood for drinking, flesh for eating, Yet in both, the faithful meeting, Wholly present Christ is hail'd.

Whose of this food partaketh Rendeth not the Lord, nor breaketh; __Christ is whole to all that taste:

Thousands are, as one, receivers; One, as thousands of believers, Eats of him who cannot waste.

Bad and good the feast are sharing; Yet what diverse dooms preparing, Endless death, or endless life!— Life to these, to those damnation: See how like participation: Is with unlike issues rife,

When the sacrament is broken, Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken, That each severed outward token Doth the very whole contain: Naught the precious gift divideth, Breaking but the sign betideth, Jestill unbroken doth remain.

Lo! the angels' food desembling. Given to pilgrims homeward wending; Bread the children's steps attend-Which on,dogs may not be spent: See the truth its types falfilling, Isaac bound, a victim willing; Paschal lamb its life-blood spill-

Manna to the fathers sent.

Very bread, good shepherd, tend us;

Jesu, of they love befriend us; Thou refresh us, thou defend us; Thine eternal goodness send us In the land of life to see.

Thou who all things canst and knowest.

Who on earth, such food bestowest,
Grant us with thy saints, though
lowest, [showest,
Where the heavenly feast thou

Fellow heirs and guests to be. Amen. Alleluis.

Amen. Alleluis.

Bange Lingua.

(For Processions, &c.)

Pange lingua gloriosi Corporis mysterium, Sanguinisque pretiosi, Quem in mundi pretium Fructus ventris generosi Rex effudit gentium.

Nobis datus, nobis natus Ex intacta Virgine, Et in mundo conversatus, Sparso verbi semine, Sui moras incolatus Miro clausit ordine.

In supremæ nocte cœnæ, Recumbens cum fratribus, Observata lege plene Cibis in legalibus, Cibum turbæ duodenæ Se dat suis manibus.

Verbum caro, panem verum Verbo carnem efficit: Fitque sanguis Christi merum: Et si sensus deficit, Ad firmandum cor sincerum Sola fides sufficit.

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui: Præstet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Sing, my tongue, the Saviour's

glory, Of his Flesh the mystery sing; Of the Blood, all price exceeding, Shed by our immortal King, Destined for the world's redemp-

From a noble womb to spring.

Of a pure and spotless Virgin, Born for us on earth below, He, as Man with man conversing, Stayed, the seeds of truth to sow; Then He closed in solemn order Wordrously his life of woe.

On the night of that Last Supper, Seated with his chosen band, He the paschal victim eating, First fulfils the law's command; Then as food to all his brethren, Gives himself with hisown hand.

Word made flesh, the bread of na-

By his word to flesh he turns; Wine into his blood he changes:— What though sense no change discerns?

Only be the heart in earnest, Faith her lesson quickly learns.

Down in adoration falling, Lo, the sacred Host we hail; Lo, o'er ancient forms departing, Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith, for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fall.

To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Holy Ghost proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honour, blessing,
Might, and endless majesty.

Fate Confessor.

Iste Confessor Domini, colentes, Quem pie laudant populi per orbem.

Hac die lætus meruit beatas Scandere sedes.

Qui pius, prudens, humilis, pudicus, Sobriam duxit sine labe vitam, Donec humanos animavit auræ Spiritus artus.

Cujus ob præstans meritum frequenter,

Agra que passim jacuere membra, Viribus morbi domitis, saluti Restituuntur.

Noster hinc illi chorus obsequentem

Concinit laudem, celebresque pal-

mas ; Ut pils ejus precibus juvemur Omne per ævum.

Sit salus illi, decus, atque virtus, Qui super cœli solio coruscans, Totius mundi seriem gubernat Trinus et urus. The Confessor of Christ, from shore to shore,

Worshipped with solemn rite, This day went up with joy, his labours o'er,

To his blest seat in light.

Holy and innocent were all his ways:

Sweet, temperate, unstained; His life was prayer,—his every breath was praise, While breath to him remained.

Ofttimes his merits high in every land,

In cures have been displayed; And still does health return at his command

To many a frame decayed.

Therefore to him triumphant praise we pay.

And yearly songs renew; Praying our glorious Saint for us to pray.

All the long ages through.

To God, of all the centre and the source.

Be power and glory given;
Who sways the mighty world
through all its course,
From the bright throne of hea-

the bright throne of her

Adoro te debote.

Adoro te devote, latens Deitas, Que sub his figuris vere latitas; Tibi se con reum totum subjicit, Quia te contemplans totum deficit. Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium; Adange fidem omnium in te credentium. O Godhead hid, devoutly I adore

thee,
Who truly art within the forms
before me:

To thee my heart I bow with bended knee, [thee. As failing guite in contemplating Visus, gustus, tactus, in te fallitur. Sed auditu solo tuto creditur. Credo quidquid dixit Dei Filius: Nil hoc verbo veritas verius.

Ave Jesu. Pastor fidelium: Adauge fidem omnium in te credentium.

In cruce latebat sola Deitas. At hic latet simul et Humanitas:

Ambo tamen credens atque confitens.

Peto quod petivit latro pœnitens. Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium: Adauge fidem omnium in te credentium.

Plagas, sicut Thomas, non intueor. Deum tamen meum te confiteor. Fac me tibi semper magis credere. In te spem habere, te diligere.

Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium; Adauge fidem omnium in te credentium.

O memoriale mortis Domini! Panis vivus, vitam præstans homini l

Præsta meæ menti de te vivere, Et te illi semper dulce sapere. Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium : Adauge fidem omnium in te credentium.

Pie Pelicane, Jesu Domine, Me immundum munda tuo sanguine.

Cuius una stilla salvum facere Totum mundum quit ab omni scelere.

Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium: Adauge fidem omnium in te crodentium.

Jesu, quem velatum nunc aspicio. Oro, flat illud, quod tam sitio. Ut, te revelata cernens facie, Visu sim beatus tuæ gloriæ.

Ave Jesu, Pastor fidelium: Adauge fidem omnium in te cre-

dentium.

Sight, touch, and taste in thee are each deceived:

The ear alone most safely is believed: fspoken. I believe all the Son of God has

Than truth's own word there is no truer token.

God only on the cross lay hid from

view: But here lies hid at once the manhood too:

And I, in both professing my belief,

Make the same prayer as the repentant thief.

Thy wounds, as Thomas saw, I do not see:

Yet thee confess my Lord and God [and more: to be: Make me believe thee ever more In thee my hope, in thee my love ' to store.

O thou memorial of our Lord's

own dying! O living bread, to mortals life

supplying! Make thou my soul henceforth on thee to live:

Ever a taste of heavenly sweetness give.

O loving Pelican! O Jesu Lord! Unclean I am, but cleanse me in thy blood!

Of which a single drop, for sinners spilt,

Can purge the entire world from all its guilt.

Jesu! whom for the present veil'd I see. What I so thirst for, oh, vouchsafe

to me:

That I may see thy countenance unfolding, Tholding. And may be blest thy glory in be-

[The following is usually sung after every stanza:]

Jesu, eternal Shepherd! hear our cry; Increase the faith of all whose souls on thee rely.

Abe Maris Stella.

Ave maris stella, Dei Mater alma, Atque semper virgo, Felix cœli porta.

Sumens illud Ave Gabrielis ore, Funda nos in pace, Mutans Evæ nomen.

Solve vincla reis, Profer lumen cæcis, Mala nostra pelle, Bona cuncta posce.

Monstra te esse matrem, Sumat per te preces, Qui pro nobis natus, Tulit esse tuus.

Virgo singularis, Inter omnes mitis, Nos culpis solutos, Mites fac et castos.

Vitam præsta puram, Iter para tutum, Ut videntes Jesum, Semper collætemur,

Sit laus Deo Patri, Summo Christo decus, Spiritui Sancto, Tribus honor unus.

Amen.

Hail, bright Star of ocean, God's own Mother blest, Ever-sinless Virgin, Gate of heav'nly rest;

Taking that sweet Ave
Which from Gabriel came,
Peace confirm within us,
Changing Eva's name.

Break the captive's fetters; Light on blindness pour; All our ills expelling, Ev'ry bliss implore.

Shew thyself a mother;
May the Word divine,
Born for us thine infant,
Hear our prayers thro' thine.

Virgin all excelling,
Mildest of the mild,.
Freed from guilt, preserve us
Meek and undefiled;

Keep our life all spotless, Make our way secure, Till we find in Jesus Joy for evermore.

Through the highest Heaven To the Almighty Three, Father, Son, and Spirit, One same glory be.

Amen.

Stabat Mater.

Stabat Mater dolorosa, Juxta crucem lacrymosa, Dum pendebat Filius. Cujus animam gementem, Contristatam, et dolentem, Pertransivit gladius. At the cross her station keeping, Stood the mournful Mother weep-Close to Jesus to the last: [ing. Through her heart, his sorrow sharing,

All his bitter anguish bearing, Now at length the sword had pass'd.

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O quam tristis et afflicta Fuit illa benedicta Mater Unigeniti! Quæ mœrebat, et dolebat, Pia Mater dum videbat Nati pænas inclyti.

Quis est homo, qui non fleret, Matrem Christi si videret In tanto supplicio? Quis non posset contristari, Christi Matrem contemplari Dolentem cum Filio?

Pro peccatis suæ gentis, Vidit Jesum in tormentis, Et flagellis subditum. Vidit suum dulcem natum Moriendo, desolatum, Dum emisit spiritum.

Eia Mater, fons amoris, Me sentire vim doloris Fac, ut tecum lugeam. Fac ut ardeat cor meum In amando Christum Deum, Ut sibi complaceam.

Sancta Mater, istud agas, Crucifixi fige plagas Cordi meo valide. Tui Nati vulnerati, Tam dignati pro me pati, Pœnas mecum divide.

Fac me tecum pie flere, Crucifixo condolere, Donec ego vixero. Juxta orucem tecum stare, Et me tibi sociare, In planctu desidero.

Virgo virginum præclara, Mihi jam non sis amara, Fac me tecum plangere. Fac ut portem Christi mortem, Passionis fac consortem, Et plagas recolere.

Fac me plagis vulnerari, Fac me cruce inebriari, Et cruore Filii. Flammis ne urar succensus Per te, Virgo, sim defensus In die judicii. Oh, how sad and sore distress'd Was that Mother highly blest Of the sole-begotten One! Christ above in torment hangs; She beneath beholds the pangs Of her dying glorious Son.

Is there one who would not weep, Whelm'd in miseries so deep Christ's dear Mother to behold? Can the human heart refrain From partaking in her pain, In that Mother's pain untold?

Bruis'd, derided, curs'd, defil'd, She beheld her tender child All with bloody socurges rent; For the sins of his own nation Saw him hang in desolation, Till his spirit forth he sent.

O thou Mother! fount of love!
Touch my spirit from above,
Make my heart with thine accord:
Make me feel as thou hast felt;
Make my soul to glow and melt

With the love of Christ my Lord.

Holy Mother! pierce me through; In my heart each wound renew Of my Saviour crucified: Let me share with thee his pain, Who for all my sins was slain, Who for me in torments died.

Let me mingle tears with thee, Mourning him who mourn'd for

All the days that I may live:
By the cross with thee to stay;
There with thee to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of thee to give.

Virgin of all virgins best! Listen to my fond request: Let me share thy grief divine; Let me, to my latest breath, In my body bear the death Of that dying Som of thime.

Wounded with his every wound, Steep my soul till it hath swoon'd In his very blood away; Be to me, O Virgin nigh, Lest in flames I burn and die, In his awful judgment-day.

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Christe, cum sit hino exire, Da per Matrem me venire Ad palmam victoriss, Quando corpus morietur, Fac ut anime donetur Paradisi gloria. Christ, when thou shalt call me hence, Be thy Mother my defence,

Be thy Mother my defence,
Be thy cross my victory;
While my body here decays,
May my soul thy goodness praise,
Safe in Paradise with thee.

Amen.

Amen.

Dies Frae.

Dies iræ, dies illa, Solvet sæclum in favilla, Teste David cum Sibylla.

Quantus tremor est futurus, Quando Judex est venturus, Cuncta stricte discussurus!

Tuba mirum spargens sonum Per sepulchra regionum, Coget omnes ante thronum.

Mors stupebit, et natura, Cum resurget creatura, Judicanti responsura.

Liber scriptus proferetur, In quo totum continetur, Unde mundus judicetur.

Judex ergo cum sedebit, Quidquid latet, apparebit : Nil inultum remanebit.

Quid sum miser tunc dicturus? Quem patronum rogaturus, Cum vix justus sit securus?

Rex tremendæ majestatis, Qui salvandos salvas gratis, Salva me, fons pietatis.

Recordare, Jesu pie, Quod sum causa tuæ viæ : Ne me perdas illa die. Day of wrath! the heart dismaying, [ing, High the bannered Cross display-O'er the world in flames decaying.

Oh, what dread and bitter crying Shall there be, when all things trying, [ing! Comes the Judge, the All-descry-

Through the tombs of nations swelling [telling, Thrills the trump, of judgment All before the throne compelling.

Death and time in consternation Then shall stand; while all creation

Rises at that dread citation.

Lo! the open book is giving Witness sure to dead and living, And the world its doom receiving.

Then the Judge shall sit, revealing Every hidden thought and feeling, Unto each requital dealing.

Who will aid me, interceding, For a wretched sinner pleading, When the just all grace are needing?

Heavenly King, of dreadful splendour! Fount of love and pity tender! Be my Saviour and Defender!

Jesus! think for my salvation Thou didst quit thy heavenly sta-

tion; Leave me not to condemnation!

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Querens me, sedisti lassus; Redemisti, crucem passus: Tantus labor non sit oessus.

Juste Judex ultionis, Donum fac remissionis Ante diem rationis.

Ingemisco tamquam reus: Culpa rubet vultus meus: Supplicanti parce, Deus.

Qui Mariam absolvisti, Et latronem exandisti, Mihi quoque spem dedisti.

Preces meze non sunt dignze: Sed tu bonus fac benigne, Ne perenni cremer igne.

Inter oves locum præsta, Et ab hædis me sequestra, Statuens in parte dextra.

Confutatis maledictis, Flammis acribus addictis, Voca me cum benedictis.

Ore supplex et acclinis, Cor contritum quasi cinis : Gere curam mei finis.

Lacrymosa dies illa, Qua resurget ex favilla Judicandus homo reus. Huic ergo parce, Deus:

Pie Jesu Domine, Dona eis requiera.

Amen.

Weary, didst thou seek me straying,

On the cross my ransom paying; By thy passion, hear my praying.

God of justice, my petition Hear, and grant my sins' remission, In that awful day's decision.

Shame and grief, my soul oppressing, I bewail my life's transgressing; Hear me, Lord, my sins confess-

ing!
Thou didst spare the sinner griev-

ing, Thou didst save the thief believing, Me too hope of pardon giving.

Worthless are my prayers and mourning, Yet, good Lord, in pity yearning, Save me from the endless burning.

With the sheep assign my station On thy right hand of salvation, At that awful separation.

When the lost are driven before thee
To their condemnation worthy,
Call me with thy saints to glory.

Conscious guilt my spirit lading, Hear thou, Lord, my self-upbraiding, [ing. Come in death thy suppliant aid-

Oh, that day of tears and trembling.
Ing.
From the wreck of worlds assemsinners stand, their doom receiving,
Spare them, God of dead and liv

Lord of mercy! Jesu blest! Grant them everlasting rost.

Betitions and Braises.

PRITITIONS FOR GRACES.

O Father, O Son, O Holy Ghost!

O most Holy Trinity! O Jesus! O Mary!

Ye blessed Angels, and all ye Saints of Paradise, obtain for me these graces, which I ask through the merits of the most precious Blood of Jesus Christ.

Always to do the will of God.

2. To be always in union with God.

3. To think only of God.

4. To love God alone.

5. To do every thing for God.

6. To seek only the glory of God.7. To make myself a saint for God's sake alone.

8. To know my own nothingness.

9. To know more clearly the will of God.

· 10. [Insert what you specially desire.]

O most holy Mary, offer to the eternal Father the most precious Blood of Jesus Christ for my soul, for the holy souls in Purgatory, for the needs of Holy Church, for the conversion of sinners, and for the whole world.

Indulgences: 300 days each time. Plenary on one of the three last days of the month for those who have recited the above daily, to be gained by visiting some church for the proper intention. Applicable to the dead.

DIVINE PRAISES.

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, the most holy Mary.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and mother.

Blessed be God in his Angels and in his Saints.

Indulgences: One year for every recital.

Nevotions for the Months of the Pear.

It has become a pious custom not only to consecrate certain Seasons and Feasts by Novenas and other prayers, but also to set apart the months of the year for special devotions. Some of these arrangements are already generally recognised,—such as the Month of May for devotion to our Lady; June, to the Sacred Heart of our Lord; July, to the Precious Blood; November, devotions for the faithful departed,—while in others the custom varies in different places. The order observed in the present volume is chiefly that of a well-known series of Italian devotions for the months of the year; while along with this is comprised a series of devotions for the chief Feasts and Commemorations occurring in the several months; those which are movable being placed at those seasons of the year where they more usually fall.

January: The Holy Childhood, Epiphany, Holy Name of Jesus.

February: Lent and Passion, Purification. March: St. Joseph, St. Francis Xavier, &c.

April: Jesus risen, Ascension, Pentecost.

May: The Blessed Virgin Mary. June: Sacred Heart of Jesus.

July: Precious Blood of our Lord.

August: Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Mary: the Assumption.

September: Seven Dolours, &c. October: The Holy Angels.

November: Souls in Purgatory.

December: Advent, Immaculate Conception, Nativity.

Many of the devotions here given have long been in public use as Novenas at the seasons to which they refer: and, in conjunction with the hymns indicated at the end of each month, the series may be employed as a popular manual for this purpose. In this view it will probably be found to supply what has hitherto been a desideratum.

January.

HOLY CHILDHOOD-EPIPHANY-HOLY NAME.

The Mysteries of the Sacred Infancy.

To be used during the Novena and Octave of Christmas, or at any other time.

▼. Incline unto my aid, O God.

Ry. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Our Father, &c.

I. The Incarnation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for our salvation didst a descend from the bosom of the eternal Father into the womb of the Virgin Mary, where, conceived by the Holy Ghost, thou didst take upon thee, O Incarnate Word, the form of a servant: have mercy upon us.

y. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

Ry. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

II. The Visitation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who by means of thy Virgin Mother didst visit St. Elizabeth, and filling thy forerunner, St. John Baptist, with the Holy Spirit, didst sanctify him from his mother's womb: have mercy upon us,

▼. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

III. The Expectation of the Birth.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for nine months enclosed in the womb didst wait for the time of thy birth, and didst meantime inflame the heart of the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph with most ardent longings, and didst offer thyself to God the Father for the salvation of the world: have mercy upon us.

y. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

IV. The Holy Nativity.

O most sweet infant Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem, wrapped in poor swaddling clothes, laid in the manger, glorified by angels, and visited by shepherds: have mercy upon us.

y. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright, Immortal glory be to thee; Praise to the Father infinite, And Holy Ghost eternally.

∀. Christ is at hand. By. O come, let us worship him.

Our Father, &c.

V. The Circumcision.

O most sweet infant Jesus, circumcised when eight days old, and called by the glorious name of Jesus, and proclaimed; both by thy name and by thy blood, to be the Saviour of the world: have mercy upon us.

y. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

VI. The Advration of the Kings.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who wert manifested to the three kings, who worshipped thee as thou didst lie on Mary's breast, and offered to thee the mysterious presents of gold, frankincense, and myrrh: have mercy upon us,

y. and R. Have mercy, &c.

VII. The Presentation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, presented in the Temple by the Virgin Mary, embraced by the holy old man, Simeon, and revealed to the Jews by Anna the prophetess: have mercy upon us.

y. and By. Have mercy, &c.

VIII. The Flight into Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, whom Herod sought to slay, carried by St. Joseph with thy Mother into Egypt, saved from death by flight, and glorified by the blood of the holy innocents: have mercy upon us.

y. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright, &c.

y. Christ is at hand. Ry. O come, let us worship him. Our Father, &c.

IX. The Sojourn in Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who did dwell as an exile in Egypt for seven years, where thou utteredst thy first words, and, loosed from thy swathing bands, didst first begin to walk upon this earth, and, in the destruction of the idols, didst work in a hidden manner thy first miracles: have mercy upon us.

y. and R. Have mercy, &c.

X. The Return from Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who when Herod was dead wast recalled out of Egypt into the land of Israel, and didst in the journey suffer many fatigues and hardships, and wert carried back by Mary and Joseph to the city of Nazareth: have mercy upon us.

w. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

XI. The Life in the holy House.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who in the holy house of Nazareth didst dwell most holily, and didst pass thy life in obedience, poverty, and toil, and as thou increaseds in years didst manifest to God and men signs of wisdom and of grace: have mercy upon us.

y. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

XII. The Disputing with the Doctors.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who wert taken to Jerusalem when twelve years old, wert lost by thy parents, and seught for by them with sorrow, and after three days wert found, to their exceeding joy, with the doctors in the Temple: have mercy upon us.

V. and Ry. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright, &c.

Our Father, &c.

During the Year:

▼. The Word was made flesh...
IV. And dwelt amongst us.

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At Christmes and during the Octave aid, Allelnia.

At the Epiphany and during the Octave:

y. Christ hath manifested himself unto us. Alleluia. R. O come, let us worship him. Alleluia.

O almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who didst reveal thyself to little ones, grant, we beseech thee, that while we duly celebrate and honour the most holy mysteries of thy Son, the infant Jesus, and worthily strive to imitate them, we may arrive at that heavenly kingdom which thou hast promised to little children; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Say, Eternal rest give to them, &c., three times for the souls in purgatory who were devout to the infant Jesus, and one Hall Mary for the intention of the promoter of this devotion.

A Plenary Indulgence on the 25th day of every month to those who, being truly contrite and having confessed and communicated, should recite, in any church or public oratory where the exercise in honour of the infant Jesus is practised, the above prayers, venerating at the same time the twelve mysteries of the Sacred Infancy, and praying for the intention of his Holiness; and 300 days, once a day, for reciting the same in private. Both applicable to the souls in purgatory.

The Holy Rame of Jesus.

CHAPLET OF OUR LORD.

This is called the Chaplet of our Lord, because it is said in honour of Jesus Christ, and is composed of thirty-three Pater nosters, in remembrance and veneration of the thirty-three years which he lived on the earth; to these are added five times Ave Maria in honour of his five most holy wounds; the first three of which are said, one at the beginning of each of the three sets of ten Pater nosters, and of the two remaining, one is said previous to reciting the three concluding Pater nosters, and the other after them. The Chaplet finishes with the Credo in honour of the holy Apostles, its composers, and which itself contains an epitome of the Birth, Life, Passion, and Death of our Divine Lord Jesus Christ.

Every one saying the Chaplet must, according to his capacity, meditate on the mysteries of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ; but it is not necessary to use these

reflections, which are only added as a help.

Act of Contrition.

FIRST DECADE.

The Archangel Gabriel makes known to the Blessed Virgin Mary the Incarnation of the Divine Word in her pure womb. Hail Mary.

1. The Son of God made man is born of Mary the

Virgin in a stable. Our Father.

2. The angels rejoice, and sing Gloria in excelsis Dea. Our Father.

3. The shepherds hear the angels' tidings, and come

and adore him. Our Father.

4. He is circumcised the eighth day, and called by the most holy name of Jesus. Our Father.

5. Is adored by the Magi with offerings of gold, frank-

incense, and myrrh. Our Father.

- 6. Is presented in the Temple, and foretold to be the Saviour of the world. Our Father.
- 7. Flies from the persecution of Herod, and is carried into Egypt. Our Father.
- *8. Herod finds him not, and murders the innocents.
 Our Father.
- 9. He is carried back by Joseph and his Mother into Nazareth his home. Our Father.
- 10. Disputes in the Temple with the doctors, being twelve years old. Our Father.

Add Eternal rest, &c. if said for the departed.

SECOND DECADE.

Jesus is most obedient to the Blessed Virgin his Mother, and to St. Joseph. Hail Mary.

1. When thirty years old, he is baptised by John in

Jordan. Our Father.

2. Fasts forty days in the desert, and overcomes the tempter. Our Father.

3. Practises and preaches his own holy law, whereby

is life eternal. Our Father.

4. Calls his disciples, who forthwith leave all and follow him. Our Father.

5. Works his first miracle of changing water into wine. Our Father.

- 6. Heals the sick, makes the lame to walk, gives hearing to the deaf, sight to the blind, life to the dead. Our Father.
- 7. Converts sinful men and sinful women, and pardons their sins. Our Father.
- 8. When the Jews persecute him even unto death, he chastises them not, but sweetly chides them. Our Father

9. Is transfigured on Mount Tabor, in the presence of

Peter, James, and John. Our Father.

10. Enters triumphant into Jerusalem sitting on an ass's colt, and drives the profaners from the Temple. Our Father.

Eternal rest, &c. as above.

THIRD DECADE.

Jesus takes leave of his most holy Mother before he goes to die for our salvation. Hail Mary.

1. Celebrates the Last Paschal Supper, washes the

Apostles' feet. Our Father.

- 2. Institutes the most holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Our Father.
- 3. Prays in the garden, sweats blood, and is comforted by an angel. Our Father.

4. Is betrayed by Judas with a kiss, is taken and bound as a malefactor. Our Father.

5. Is falsely accused, is buffeted and spit upon, and shamefully used before four tribunals. Our Father.

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6. Looks tenderly on Peter after he had thrice denied

him, and converts him; whilst Judas despairs, hangs himself, and is lost. Our Father.

7. Is cruelly scourged at the pillar, and receives innu-

merable blows. Our Father.

8. Is crowned with thorns, shown to the people, who

cry, Crucify him! crucify him! Our Father.

9. Is condemned to die, carries the heavy cross with grievous pain upon his shoulders to Mount Calvary. Our Father.

10. Is crucified between two thieves, dies after three hours' most painful agony, is wounded in the side with a lance, and is buried. Our Father,

Eternal rest, &c. as above.



Jesus rises the third day, and visits first of all his wost holy Mother, Mary. Hail Mary.

1. Appears to the three Marys, and bids them tell the disciples they have seen him risen from the dead. Our Father.

2. Appears to the disciples, shows them his most holy

wounds, makes Thomas touch them. Our Father.

3. The fortieth day after his resurrection blesses most holy Mary his Mother and all his disciples: then ascends into heaven. Our Father.

Let us pray to the most holy Virgin to obtain for us also the blessing of her Divine Son Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death. Hail Mary.

Eternal rest, &c. as above.

Let us say "I believe," &c. in honour of the hely Apostles.

End with the prayer said to be St. Augustine's, see p. 669.

Plenary Indulgence (1) once a year on any one day to any one who, after Confession and Communion, shall have made a practice of saying it at least four times a week; (2) once a month to any one who shall have said it every day for a month, and shall then, being penitent, after Confession and Communion, pray for the usual intentions; (3) in the article of death to any one who, being penitent and having confessed, shall then invoke, at least with his heart if he cannot do so with his lips, the most holy name of Jesus, provided he has said the above-mentioned Chaplet once during his illness with the intention of gaining this indulgence.

THREE EJACULATIONS: "JESU," &c.

In order to increase the devotion of the faithful to Jesus and Mary by invoking their most holy names, together with the name of St. Joseph, for the purpose of recommending to them the last moments of this life, on which our eternity depends, Pius VII., by a decree of the S. Congr. of Indulgences, dated April 28, 1807, granted an indulgence of 300 days to any one, as often as he says devoutly, and with a contrite heart, the three following ejaculations:

Jesus, Joseph, Mary, I offer you my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Joseph, Mary, assist me in my last agony. Jesus, Joseph, Mary, may I breathe forth my soul with you in peace.

If but one of the above is recited, then the same Pope granted to the reciter 100 days' Indulgence.

ANOTHER EJACULATION.

Indulgence (1) fifty days every time any one says the following ejaculation of St. Jerome Emiliani; (2) plenary to any one who says it at least once a day for a year, to be gained once only, on the feast of the saint, July 20, or during its octave, provided that, after Confession and Communion, he visit some church, and pray there according to the intention of his Holiness.

My sweetest Jesus, be not to me a Judge, but a Saviour.

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IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION.

(Beginning Jan. 24.)

Veni Sancte Spiritus, &c. p. 437.
1. Most holy Mary, bright mirror of all virtues, the forty days after thy delivery were no sooner past than thou, though the purest of all virgins, didst will to be presented in the Temple to be purified; oh, help us, then, by imitating thee, to keep our hearts unstained by sin, that so we too may be made worthy one day to be presented to our God in heaven. Hail Mary.

2. Virgin most obedient, at thy Presentation in the Temple thou didst willingly offer the accustomed sacrifice of women; enable us so to follow thy example, that we may make ourselves a living sacrifice to God, by prac-

tising every virtue. Hail Mary.

3. Virgin most pure, thou didst despise the reproach of men whilst observing the precept of the law; ask for us grace always to keep our hearts pure, whatever the world may think us. Hail Mary.

4. Virgin most holy, by offering thy Son, the Divine Word, to his eternal Father, thou didst make heaven glad; present our poor hearts to God, that by his grace they may be kept free from mortal sin. Hail Mary.

5. Virgin most humble, in consigning Jesus into the

arms of the holy old man Simeon, thou didst fill his spirit full of heavenly joy; consign our hearts to God, that he may fill them full of his Holy Spirit. Hail Mary.

6. Virgin most diligent, in ransoming thy Son Jesus according to the law, thou didst cooperate in the salvation of the world; ransom our poor hearts from the slavery of sin, that they may be ever pure in the sight of

God. Hail Mary.

7. Virgin most meek, on hearing the prophecy of Simeon foretelling thy woes, thou didst humbly resign thyself to the good pleasure of thy God; make us always resigned to the dispositions of his Providence, and enable us to bear all troubles with patience. Hail Mary.

8. Virgin most compassionate, when thou didst fill the soul of Anna the prophetess with light, by means of thy Divine Son, thou didst make her magnify the mercies of God in that she recognised Jesus for the Redeemer of the world; enrich our spirit too with heavenly grace, that we may joyfully reap in full measure the fruits of our Lord's redemption. Hail Mary.

9. Virgin most resigned, although thou didst feel thine own soul transfixed with sorrow, foreseeing all the bitter Passion of thy Son, yet knowing the grief of Joseph thy spouse for all thy sufferings, thou didst console him with holy words; pierce through and through our souls with true sorrow for our sins, that we may one day come to rejoice with thee in everlasting bliss, partakers of thy glory. Hail Mary.

Then the Litany of the B.V.M., and the following Responses, &c.

V. Simeon received answer from the Holy Spirit.

Ry. That he should not see death till he had seen the Christ of God.

Almighty, everlasting God, we humbly pray thy Majesty, that as thine only-begotten Son was presented in the Temple in the substance of our flesh, so thou wouldst

enable us to present ourselves before thee with clean

hearts. Through, &c.

O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, graciously look down upon thy servant Pius, whom thou hast chosen to be the pastor of thy Church; and grant him, we beseech thee, both by word and example, so to direct those over whom thou hast placed him, that, together with the flock intrusted to his care, he may attain eternal life.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all holiness, listen to the pious prayers of thy Church, and grant that what we ask in faith we may effectually

obtain. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Infant Jesus, p. 324. Litany of the Incarnate Word, p. 322. Litany of the Holy Name, p. 308. Litany of the Life of Christ, p. 326.

The Psalter of Jesus.

"There is no other Name under heaven given to men, whereby we must be saved." Acts iv. 12.

Begin by a devout bending of the head, or genuflection, at the adorable Name of JESUS.

PART I.

"At the Name of Jesus let every knee bow, of things in heaven, of things in earth, and of things is hell; and let every tongue confess that our Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father." Phil. ii. 10, 11.

First Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, have mercy on me, O God of compassion, and forgive the many and great offences I have committed in thy sight.

Many have been the follies of my life, and great are

the miseries I have deserved for my ingratitude.

Have mercy on me, dear Jesus, for I am weak; O Lord, heal me, who am unable to help myself.

Deliver me from setting my heart upon any of thy creatures, which may divert my eyes from continually looking up to thee.

Grant me grace henceforth, for the love of thee, to hate sin; and out of a just esteem of thee to despise all

worldly vanities.

Have mercy on all sinners, O Jesus, I beseech thee; turn their vices into virtues, and making them true observers of thy law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory. Have mercy also on the souls in purgatory, for thy bitter passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious name, Jesus.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on

me.

y. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Ry. As it was in the beginning, is now, and for ever, world without end. Amen.

Our Father, &c. Hail Marv. &c.

Second Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, help me to overcome all temptations to sin, and the malice of my ghostly enemy.

Help me to spend my time in virtuous actions, and in

such labours as are acceptable to thee.

To resist and repress the motions of my flesh to sloth, gluttony, and impurity.

To render my heart enamoured of virtue, and inflamed

with desires of thy glorious presence.

Help me to deserve and keep a good name, by a peaceful and pious living; to thy honour, O Jesus, to my own comfort, and the benefit of others.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Third Petition.

Jesus, Jesus,

Josus, strengthen me in soul and body, to please thee in doing such works of virtue as may bring me to thy everlasting joy and felicity.

Grant me a firm purpose, most merciful Saviour, to

amend my life, and atone for the years past:

Those years which I have misspent to thy displeasure, in vain or wicked thoughts, words, deeds, and evil customs.

Make my heart obedient to thy will; and ready, for

thy love, to perform all the works of mercy.

Grant me the gifts of the Holy Ghost, which, through a virtuous life, and a devout frequenting of thy most holy sacraments, may at length bring me to thy heavenly kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Fourth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, comfort me, and give me grace to place my

chief, my only joy and felicity in thee.

Send me heavenly meditations, spiritual sweetness, and fervent desires of thy glory; ravish my soul with the contemplation of heaven, where I shall everlastingly dwell with thee.

Bring often to my remembrance thy unspeakable goodness, thy gifts, and thy great kindness shown to me.

And when thou bringest to my mind the sad remembrance of my sins, whereby I have so unkindly offended thee, comfort me with the assurance of obtaining thy grace, by the spirit of perfect penance, purging away my guilt, and preparing me for thy kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Fifth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, make me constant in faith, hope, and charity, with continuance in all virtues, and resolution not to offend thee.

Make the memory of thy passion, and of those bitter pains thou sufferedst for me, sustain my patience, and

refresh me in all tribulations and adversity.

Make me ever hold fast the doctrines of thy holy Catholic Church, and be a diligent frequenter of all holy duties.

Let no false delight of this deceitful world blind me, no fleshly temptation or fraud of the devil shake my

heart:

My heart, which has for ever set up its rest in thee; and is resolved to give up all things for thy eternal reward.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Phil. ii, 8.

Hear these my petitions, O most merciful Saviour, and grant me thy grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy steps, whereby my soul may climb up to the knowledge, love, and performance of my duty to thee and to my neighbour, through the whole course of my life. Amen.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. I believe in God. &c.

PART II.

"At the name of Jestis," &c. Phil. ii. 10, 11, as before.

Sixth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, enlighten me with spiritual wisdom, to know thy goodness, and all those things which are most acceptable to thee.

Grant me a clear apprehension of my only good, and

discretion to order my life according to it.

Grant that I may wisely proceed from virtue to virtue, till at length I arrive at the clear vision of thy glorious Majesty.

Permit me not, dear Lord, to return to those sins for which I have sorrowed, and of which I have purged myself by confession.

Grant me grace to benefit the souls of others by my good example, and to convert those by good counsel

who have used me ill.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Seventh Petition.

Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, grant me grace inwardly to fear thee, and to

avoid all occasions of offending thee.

Let the threats of the torments which shall befal sinners, the fear of losing thy love and thy heavenly inheritance, ever keep me in awe.

Let me not dare to remain in sin, but call me soon to repentance; lest through thine anger the dreadful sentence of endless death and damnation fall upon me.

May the powerful intercession of thy blessed Mother and all the saints, and, above all, thy own merits and mercy, O my Saviour, be ever between thy avenging justice and me.

Enable me, O my God, to work out my salvation with fear and trembling; and may the apprehension of thy sacred judgments render me a more humble and diligent suitor at the throne of grace.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Eighth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, grant me grace truly to love thee for thy infinite goodness, and those great bounties I have received, and hope for ever to receive, from thee.

Let the remembrance of thy kindness and patience conquer the malice and evil inclinations of my perverse

nature.

Let the consideration of my many deliverances, and

thy gracious calls and continued protection through life, shame me out of my ingratitude.

And what dost thou require of me, for and by all thy mercies, but to love thee; and why, but because thou

art my only good?

O my dear Lord! my whole life shall be nothing but a desire of thee; and because I truly love thee, I will most diligently keep thy commandments.

Have mercy on all sinners, &cc.

Ninth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, grant me grace always to remember my death, and the great account I then must render; that so being kept continually disposed, my soul may depart out of this world rightly in thy grace.

Then by the gracious intercession of thy blessed Mother, and the assistance of the glorious St. Michael, deliver me from the danger of my soul's enemies; and do thou, my good angel, I beseech thee, help me at the hour of death.

Then, dear Jesus, remember thy mercy; and turn not,

for my offences, thy face away from me.

Secure me against the terrors of that day, by causing me now to die daily to all earthly things, and to have my continual conversation in heaven.

Let the remembrance of thy death teach me how to esteem my life; and the memory of thy resurrection encourage me cheerfully to descend into the grave.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

Tenth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, send me here my purgatory, and so prevent the torments of that cleansing fire, which, after this life, awaits unpurged souls.

Vouchsafe to grant me those merciful crosses and

afflictions, which thou seest are necessary to break off

my affections from all things here below.

Since none can see thee that loves any thing but for thy sake, permit not my heart to find here any rest but in seeking after thee.

Too bitter, alas, will be the anguish of a separated soul that desires, but cannot come to thee, clogged with

the heavy chains of sin.

Here then, O my Saviour, keep me continually mortified in this world; that, purged thoroughly by the fire of love, I may immediately pass into the everlasting possessions.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Phil. ii. 8.

Hear these my petitions, &c. as before.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

I believe in God. &c.

PART III.

"At the name of Jesus," &c. Phil. ii. 10, 11, as before.

Eleventh Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, grant me grace to fly evil company; or if I chance to come among such, I beseech thee, by the merits of thy uncorrupt conversation among sinners, preserve me from being overcome by any temptations to mortal sin.

Make me, O blessed Lord, to remember always with dread, that thou art present and hearest; who wilt judge

us according to our words and actions.

How, then, dare I converse with slanderers, liars, drunkards, or swearers, or such whose discourse is either

quarrelsome, dissolute, or vain?

Repress in me, dear Jesus, all inordinate affection for the pleasure of taste and of the flesh; and grant me grace to avoid all such as would excite the fire of these unhappy appetites. May thy power defend, thy wisdom direct, thy fatherly pity chastise me, and make me so to live here among men, as may fit me for the conversation of angels hereafter.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesus, I beseech thee; turn their vices into virtues, and having made them true observers of thy law, and sincere lovers of thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory.

Have mercy also on all the souls in purgatory, for thy bitter passion, I beseech thee, and for thy glorious name,

Jesus.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Twelfth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, grant me grace in all my necessities to call for help to thee, and faithfully to remember thy death and resurrection for me.

Wilt thou be deaf to my cries, who wouldst lay down thy life for my ransom? or canst thou not save me, who couldst take it up again for my crown?

Whom have I to invoke but thee, O my Jesus, whose own blessed mouth has pronounced, Call upon me in the

day of trouble, and I will relieve thee.

Thou art my sure rock of defence against all kinds of enemies; thou art my ever present grace, able to strengthen me to fight and conquer.

In all my sufferings, therefore, in all my weakness and temptations, will I confidently call upon thee; hear me O my Jesus, and when thou hearest, have mercy.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Thirteenth Petition.

Jesus, Jesus,

Jesus, make me to persevere in virtue and a good life; and never to draw back from serving thee, till thou bringest me to my reward in thy kingdom.

In all pious customs and holy duties, in my honest and necessary employments, continue and strengthen, O

Lord, both my soul and body.

Is my life any thing but a pilgrimage upon earth towards the new Jerusalem, at which he that sits down,

or turns out of the way, can never arrive?

O Jesus, make me always consider thy blessed example, through how many and great pains and how little pleasure thou presseds to n to a bitter death; because it is the way to a glorious resurrection.

Make me, O my Redeemer, seriously ponder those severe words of thine, He only that perseveres to the end

shall be saved.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fourteenth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, grant me grace to fix my mind on thee; especially in the time of prayer, when I aspire to converse

directly with thee.

Control the wanderings of my mind and the affections of my heart; repress the power of my spiritual enemies, who could then draw off my mind from heavenly

things, to thoughts and imaginations of vanity.

So shall I, with joy and gratitude, behold thee, as my deliverer from all the evils I have escaped, and as my benefactor for all the good I have received or can hope for.

I shall see that thou thy very self art my only good;

and that all other things are but means ordained by thee to make me fix my mind on thee, to make me love thee more, and be eternally happy.

Q beloved of my soul, absorb all my thoughts here, that I may become worthy to behold thee for evermore

face to face in thy glory.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. Glory be to the Father, &c. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

Fifteenth Petition.

Jesus, Je

Jesus, give me grace to order my life to thee, heartily intending and wisely designing all the operations of my body and soul, for obtaining the reward of thy infinite bliss and eternal felicity.

For what else is this world, but a school to discipline souls, and fit them for the other? And how are they fitted for it but by an eager desire of enjoying God, their

only end?

Break my forward spirit, O Jesus; make it humble and obedient; grant me grace to depart hence with a contempt for this world, and with a joyful hope of com-

ing to thee in the next.

Let the memory of thy passion make me cheerfully embrace all occasions of suffering here for thy love; whilst my soul breathes after that blissful life and immortal glory, which thou hast ordained in heaven for thy servants.

O Jesus, let me frequently and attentively consider, that whatsoever I gain, if I lose thee, all is lost; and whatsoever I lose, if I gain thee, all is gained.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c.

"Our Lord Jesus Christ humbled himself, becoming obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Phil. ii. 8.

Hear these my petitions, &c. as before. Our Father, &c.

Hail Mary, &c.

I believe in God, &c.

Hail, holy Agnes, glorious virgin and martyr. Hail. sweetest spouse of Jesus, thou vessel of election of the Holy Ghost: like as the rose amongst thorns, and as a star in the midst of a cloud, so didst thou shine forth upon the darkness of the world. I salute and bless thee a thousandfold in that union wherewith thy loving soul is one spirit with God, and I rejoice and exult in the victory which thou hast gained in thy glorious strife. I congratulate thee on the twofold crown of virginity and of martyrdom, wherein thou shinest gloriously forth as a star in the firmament, For the increase of thy joy, thy glory, and thy blessedness. I offer thee the sweetest Heart of my Jesus, together with all his filial love to God the Father in his Divinity. and to Mary his Mother in his Humanity: and through that sacred Heart I commend myself to thy especial care and patronage, that by thy most holy sufferings and death, and by the merits of thy pure and virgin blood, I may obtain forgiveness of my sins, and the sare protection of divine grace in life and in death. Amen.

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LENT-PASSION OF OUR LORD-PURIFICATION.

[See also the Seven Dolours, September.]

The Seven Words upon the Cross.1

y. O God, bow down to aid me.

Ry. O Lord, make haste to help me.

y. Glory be to the Father, &c. R. As it was, &c.

The First Word.

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

ly. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world. O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross that thou mightest pay by thy sufferings the debt due to my sins, and didst open thy divine mouth to obtain my pardon from eternal justice, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on myself when I shall be in that extremity, and, by the merits of thy most precious blood shed for our salvation, give us so lively a sorrow for our sins that we may breathe out our souls into the bosom of thine infinite mercy. Three Glories.

▼. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Ry. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love tnee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Second Word.

"To-day thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

V. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

17. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and with such readiness and bounty didst respond to the faith of the good thief who in the midst of thy humiliation acknowledged thee to be the Son of God: O thou who didst assure him of Paradise, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on me when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, revive in our spirits a faith so firm and constant, that it may

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A perpetual Indulgence of 300 days, applicable to the souls in Purgatory, every time that this exercise is devoutly practised.

not waver at any suggestion of the devil, so that we also may obtain the holy reward of Paradise. Three Glories.

. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Ry. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Third Word.

"Behold thy mother; behold thy son."

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

17. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst aganise on the Cross, and, forgetting thy sufferings, didst leave us as a pledge of thy love thine own most holy Mother, that through her we might confidently have recourse to thee in our greatest need, have mercy on all the faithful in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the interior martyrdom of this thy dear Mother, awaken in our hearts a firm hope in the infinite merits of thy most precious blood, that we may avoid the eternal damnation which our sins have merited. Three Glories.

y. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Ry. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Fourth Word.

"My God! my God! why hast thou forsaken me?"

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and, heaping suffering on suffering, didst endure with infinite patience not only thy many bodily tortures, but the most heavy affliction of spirit through the dereliction of thine eternal Father, have mercy on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, give us grace to suffer with true patience all the pains and afflictions of our agony, that, uniting them with thine, we may be partakers of thy glory in Paradise. Three Glories.

y. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

By. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Fifth Word.

" I thirst."

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the

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- O my beleved Jesus, who didst agonise on the Cross for the love of me, and who, not satisfied with all the ignominy and suffering, wouldst willingly have suffered yet mere, so that all men might be saved, as was clearly proved when all the torrents of thy passion would not allay the thirst of thy tender heart, have pity on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, enkindle such a fire of charity in our hearts as may cause them to languish with the desire of uniting themselves to thee for all eternity. Three Glories.
 - y. Have merey on us, O Lord.

Ry. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

The Sinth Word.

: "It is consummated."

7. We stlore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

By. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who for the love of me didst agonise on the Cross, and from that chair of truth didst announce the completion of the work of our redemption, through which, from being the children of wrath and perdition, we are become the children of God and the heirs of Paradise, have pity on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and, through the merits of thy most precious blood, detach us entirely from the world and from ourselves, and at the moment of our agony give us grace sincerely to offer thee the sacrifice of our life in explation of our sins. Three Glories.

y Have mercy on us, O Lord.

H Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my ains.

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The Seventh Word.

" Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

By. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

O my beloved Jesus, who didst agonise on the Cross for the love of me, and who, in completing this great sacrifice, didst accept the will of thine eternal Father, by resigning thy spirit into his hands, and then bowing thine head and dying, have mercy on all the faithful who are in their agony, and on me also when I shall be in that extremity, and through the merits of thy most precious blood give us, in our agony, an entire conformity to the divine will, that we may be ready either to live or die according as it shall best please thee, desiring nothing but the accomplishment of thy bleased will in us. Three Glories.

y. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

By. Have mercy on us.

O my God, I believe in thee, I hope in thee, I love thee, and I repent of having offended thee by my sins.

A Prayer to our Blessed Lady of Dolours.

O most holy Mother, most afflicted by the intense martyrdom which thou didst endure at the foot of the Cross, during the three hours' agony of Jesus, vouchage to assist all of us, the children of thy sorrows, in our last agony, that through thine interference we may pass from the bed of death, to form a crown for thee in the heavenly Paradise. Three Hail Marys.

O Mary, Mother of grace,

Mother of mercy,

Protect us from the enemy,

And receive us at the hour of death.

y. From sudden and unprovided death,

By. Deliver us, O Lord.

y. From the deceits of the devil.

By. Deliver us, O Lord.

y. From eternal death, deliver us, O Lord.

O God, who for the salvation of mankind didst give an example and a help in the most painful death of thy Son; grant, we beseech thee, that in the extremity of death we may experience the effects of this thy charity, and deserve to be partakers in the glory of him our Redeemer;

" "ough the same. &c.



Prayer before a Crucifix.

Plenary Indulgence to be obtained by all the faithful, who, after having confessed their sins with contrition, received the Holy Communion, and prayed for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff, shall devoutly recite it before an image or representation of Christ-crucified.

Behold, O kind and most sweet Jesus, I cast myself upon my knees in thy sight, and with the most fervent desire of my soul I pray and beseeth thee that thou wouldst impress upon my heart lively sentiments of faith, hope, and charity, with true repentance for my sins, and a firm desire of amendment, whilst with deep affection and grief of soul I ponder within myself, and mentally contemplate thy five most precious wounds; having before my eyes that which David spake in prophecy: "They pierced my hands and my feet; they have numbered all my bones."

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ON THE PASSION OF OUR SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

1. O good and gracious Jesus! who, being most high in the glory of thy Father, and of one essence with him, didst vouchsafe of thy infinite love to be made man, to be born in a stable, to be laid in a manger, to be circumcised, and to fly into Egypt; afterwards to be baptised, to be tempted, to fast, to watch, to teach the ignorant, and to heal the diseased; in thy whole life to suffer continual afflictions and persecutions; and at length voluntarily to suffer death upon the cross; and all this for me, and such wretched creatures as myself.

2. O good and gracious Jesus! who, having eaten the paschal lamb with thy dearly beloved disciples, didst arise from supper, gird thyself with a towel, pour water

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into a basin, and on bended knees didst humbly wash the feet of thy disciples, and wipe them with thy own hands.

3. O good and gracious Jesus! who, when the time of thy death approached, didst bequeath a most excellent legacy to thy children, leaving us thy most sacred body to be our meat, and thy most precious blood to be our drink: no wit can teach, nor understanding penetrate

the bottomless depth of this thy charity.

4. O good and gracious Jesus! who, having entered into the garden of Olives, beganst to fear and to be heavy; whereupon thou saidst to thy disciples, My soul is sorrowful, even unto death; and then leaving them, kneeledst upon the ground, and falling flat on thy face, prayedst to thy Father, If it be possible, let this chalice pass from me. And yet with perfect submission, wholly resignedst thyself to him, saying, Father, not my will, but thine be done: and at length, through most painful ageny, thy afflicted and fainting body sweated drops of blood.

5. O good and gracious Jesus! who, inflamed with an ineffable desire to redeem me, didst go to meet thine enemies, and sufferedst Judas the traitor to kiss thee, and thyself to be taken and bound with cords, and as malefactor disgracefully led by the basest of the people to Annas, where with admirable meekness thou receivedst a cruel stroke on thy face, most unjustly given thee

by a vile wretch and slave.

6. O good and gracious Jesus! who wast led fast bound like a notorious malefactor from Annas to the house of Caiaphas the high priest, where the Jews most unjustly accused thee, and with barbarous insolence spat upon thy meek and amiable face, buffeting thy cheeks and blindfolding thine eyes, scornfully mocking, and maliciously affronting thee with injuries all that night.

7. O good and gracious Jesus! who in the morning wast brought to the presence of Pilate, and with a most sweet and humble countenance, casting thine eyes down, stoodst before him in the judgment-hall; and when thou wast most falsely calumniated by the Jews, and many insults and provocations were given thee, thou meekly

heldst thy peace, and patiently sufferedst their unjust

proceedings.

8. O good and gracious Jesus I who wast sent from Pilate to Herod; he out of vain curiosity coveting to see some miracle at thy hand, demanded many things of thee, and the Jews continuing their perverseness against thee; but to all these thy meekness replied not a word: wherefore Herod and all his court despised thee, and putting on thee a white garment in scorn and derision, sent thee thus back again to Pilate. O unspeakable humility and obedience to the will of thine enemies! thou wentst forth and returnedst again, and wast led up and down from place to place without gainsaying, but suffering them to do whatever they would.

9. O good and gracious Jesus! who in the judgment-hall wast stript maked, and without any compassion most cruelly scourged. There was thy blessed virginal and tender flesh torn with stripes, and altogether mangled and deformed; so that the streams of thy most precious.

blood ran down on every side upon the earth.

10. O good and gracious Jesus! after thy sharp and bloody scourging, to put thee to more shame and confusion, as also to increase thy torments, they clothed thee with an old purple garment, and platting a crown of thorns, pressed it on thy boly head, till the sharp points pierced thy temples, and thy most precious blood ran down and covered thy face and neck: they gave thee in derision a reed for thy sceptre, and kneeling down before thee in scorn, saluted thee, saying, Hail, King of the Jews; then took they the reed out of thy hand, and with it struck thy sacred head, and again spat upon thy sacred face.

11. O good and gracious Jesus! who wast brought forth from Pilate to the Jews to be gazed on, wearing the crown of thorns and purple garment, Pilate shewing thee to the people, and saying, Bekold the man; but they cried out, with a loud voice and insatiable malice,

Crucify him, crucify him!

12. O good and gracious Jesus! thou wast delivered up to the will and pleasure of the Jews, who immediately led thee to be crucified, laying thy heavy cross

upon thy sore and bloody shoulders; thus didst thou humbly bear thy own cross, whose weight pained thee excessively, and coming to the place all weary and breathless, thou refusedst not to taste wine mingled with gall and myrrh, which was the only relief there given thee

13. O good and gracious Jesus! being come to Mount Calvary, thou wast again stripped naked, when thy wounds were renewed by the violent pulling off of thy clothes. What bitter pains didst thou suffer, when thou wast fastened to the cross with rough nails, and the joints of thy limbs stretched as on a rack! Oh, with what love and sweetness of charity didst thou suffer thy hands and feet to be pierced through, whence, as from a fountain,

thy precious blood gushed out.

14. O good and gracious Jesus! who, hanging on the cross between two thieves, wast assailed with blasphemies, and after so long a continuance of thy tortures, prayedst to thy Father to forgive them: and even when their fury was at the highest, didst exercise the greatest bounty, promising Paradise to the repenting thief, and bequeathing thy dearly beloved Mother (who, pierced with sorrow, stood by the cross,) to thy beloved disciple John, and in him to us all; and after thou hadst suffered for three long hours intolerable pains and extreme thirst, they gave thee vinegar to drink, which when thou hadst tasted, bowing down thy venerable head, thou yieldedst up thy spirit.

15. O good and gracious Jesus! O good Shepherd! thus thou bestowedst thy life for thy sheep, and even after death still thou wouldest suffer for us, the sacred side of thy dead body being opened with a spear, out of which flowed water and blood. Thus at last ended all thy sufferings; and thy enemies having slacked their thirst for thy blood, and being gone away, thy disciples came and took thy immaculate body down from the cross, reposed it on the knees of thy blessed Mother, and after all imaginable expressions of piety, reverence, and love, wrapped it up in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre.

Prayer.

O mild and innocent Lamb of God, thus heartily thou didst love me, these things thou didst for me, these pains most patiently and lovingly thou sufferedst for me. What shall I render unto thee? I adore and glorify thee, I praise thee and give thee thanks, with all the powers of my soul. Jesus, Son of the living God, King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hail, most glorious Redeemer of our souls, whose death quickens and gives life to the world.

O blessed Saviour, have mercy on me, for thy goodness' sake; forgive me all my sins, destroy and mortify in me whatever displeaseth thee. Make me one according to thy heart, and grant that to the utmost of my power I may most diligently imitate thy holy life. O blessed Father of keaven! behold I offer the most holy incarnation, life, and passion of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, in full satisfaction for all my sins, and perfect amendment of my life. Grant, most merciful Father, for the merits of thy only-begotten Son, to the living mercy and grace, and to the souls departed rest and life everlasting. Amen.

THIRTY DAYS' PRAYER

TO OUR BLESSED REDEEMER, IN HONOUR OF HIS BITTER PASSION.

For Deliverance from any Evil, or for obtaining some especial Mercy.

O merciful Jesus, my blessed Saviour and Redeemer, the sweet comforter of all sad, desolate, and distressed souls; behold thy poor servant, humbly prostrate at the foot of thy holy cross, bewailing my misery, imploring thy mercy, and beseeching thee to take pity and compassion upon me in this my present affliction.

Hear my prayers, O assured refuge of the afflicted!

Hear my prayers, O assured refuge of the afflicted! behold my tears, consider my sorrows, and remedy my distresses; for, finding myself encompassed with very grievous calamities, by reason of my sins, I know not whither to fly for succour, or to whom I may make my

complaint, but to thee, my meek and merciful Saviour, with a full hope and confidence that thou wilt vouchsafe thy accessomed pity to my humble petition. This I

humbly entreat of thee.

By the holy mystery of thy alliance with our human nature, when, resolving with the Father and the Holy Ghost to unite thy divine person to mortal flesh for man's salvation, thou didst send thy angel to the holy Virgin Mary with those happy tidings, and clothing thyself with our human nature, remainedst, true God and true man, for the space of nine months in her sacred womb.

By the anguish thou enduredst when, the time of thy designed passion drawing nigh, thou prayedst to thy eternal Father, that if it were possible that bitter chalice might pass away from thee; yet concluding with a most perfect act of resignation, Not my will, but thine be done.

By the outrageous injuries, shameful disgraces, cruel blows, contumelious blasphemies, forged witnesses, false accusations, and unjust judgments, which thou, innocent Lamb! patiently enduredst; by the shackles which fettered thy limbs, the tears which flowed from thine eyes, the blood which trickled from thy whole body; by the fears, sorrows, and sadness of thy heart; by the shame thou receivedst in being stript of thy garments, to hang naked on the cross, in the sight of thy sorrowful Mother,

and in the presence of all the people.

By thy royal head crowned with thorns, and smitten with a reed; by thy thirst quenched with vinegar and gall; by thy side opened with a spear, whence issued blood and water, to refresh our souls with that living fountain of thy love and mercy; by the sharp nails wherewith thy tender hands and feet were cruelly pierced and fastened to the cross; by the recommendation of thy departing soul to thy heavenly Father, saying, Into thy hands I commend my spirit; by thy praying for thy enemies, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do; by thy giving up the ghost, when thou criedst out with a loud voice, My God, mu God, why hast thou forsaken me? and then, bowing down thy most blessed head, saidst, It is consummated.

By the great mercy thou shewedst towards the peni-

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tent thief, saying, This day thou shalt be with me is Paradise; by thy descent into Limbus, and the joy thou communicatedst to the just souls therein detained; by the glory of thy triumphant resurrection, and the consoling appearance thou frequently didst vouchsafe for forty days' space to thy sacred Virgin Mother, to thy apostles, and thy other chosen friends and servants; by thy admirable ascension, when, in the sight of thy holy Mother and thy Apostles, thou wast elevated into heaven; by the miraculous coming down of the Holy Ghost in the form of fiery tongues, whereby thou replenishedst the hearts of thy disciples with thy love, and gavest them strength and courage to plant thy faith in the whole world; by the dreadful day of general judgment, on which thou wilt pass sentence on all mankind.

By all those sorrows, joys, passions, compassions, and whatsoever else is dear to thee in heaven and on earth, take pity on me, O compassionate Redeemer! hear my prayers, and grant me that for which I now most humbly and heartily petition thee. [Mention here the thing you desire, or reflect mentally upon it.] Give me, O gracious Saviour, speedily to experience thy divine succour and comfort, who, according to the accustomed sweetness of thy tender heart, art wont to grant the requests of those who fear and love thee, even to their soul's desire and satisfaction; bestow on me also, O blessed Jesus, a constant faith, a firm hope, a perfect charity, a true contrition, a sincere confession, a full satisfaction, a diligent guarding of myself from future failings, a contempt of the world, a complete conquest of my passions, a zealous imitation of thy exemplary life and conversation, an entire accomplishment of my vows, an absolute mortification of my self-will, a willing readiness to die for thy love and honour, a final perseverance in grace and good works, a happy departure of my soul out of this world, with my perfect senses about me, and with thy holy sacraments to strengthen me; thyself, O dear Jesus, to comfort me! thy sacred Virgin Mother, with the saints, my particular patrons, to pray for me; and my good angel to conduct me to eternal rest and happiness. Amen. Digitized by Google

THE THIRTY DAYS' PRAYER

TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, IN HONOUR OF THE SACRED PASSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, BY THE DEVOUT RECIPAL OF WHICH, FOR THE ABOVE SPACE OF TIME, WE MAY CONFIDENTLY HOPE TO OBTAIN OUR LAWFUL REQUEST.

It is particularly recommended as a proper devotion for every day in Lent, and all the Fridays throughout the year.

Ever-glorious and blessed Mary, queen of virgins, mother of mercy, the hope and comfort of dejected and desolate souls; through that sword of sorrow which pierced thy tender heart, whilst thine only Son Jesus Christ our Lord suffered death and ignominy on the cross; through that filial tenderness and pure love he had for thee, grieving in thy grief, whilst from his cross he recommended thee to the care and protection of his beloved disciple St. John; take pity, I beseech thee, on my poverty and necessities; have compassion on my anxieties and cares; assist and comfort me in all my infirmities and miseries, of what kind soever. Thou art the mother of mercies, the sweet comforter and only refuge of the needy and the orphan, of the desolate and afflicted. Cast, therefore, an eye of pity on a poor child of Eve, and hear my prayer; for since, in just punishment of my sins, I find myself encompassed by a multitude of evils, and oppressed with much anguish of spirit, whither can I fly for more secure shelter, O amiable mother of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! than to the wings of thy maternal protection? Attend, therefore, I beseech thee, with an ear of pity and compassion to my humble and earnest request. I ask it through the mercy of thy dear Son: through that love and condescension wherewith he embraced our nature, when, in compliance with the divine will, thou gavest thy consent; and whom, after the expiration of nine months, thou broughtest forth from thy chaste womb to visit this world, and bless it with his presence. I ask through that anguish of mind wherewith thy beloved

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Son, our dear Saviour, was overwhelmed on the Mount of Olives, when he besought his eternal Father to remove from him, if possible, the bitter chalice of his passion. I ask it through the threefold repetition of his prayer in the garden, from whence afterwards, with sorrowing steps, and mournful tears, thou didst accompany him to the doleful theatre of his death and sufferings. ask it through the wounds and sores of his virginal flesh, occasioned by the cords and whips wherewith he was bound and scourged, when stripped of his seamless garment, for which his executioners afterwards cast lots. I ask it through the scoffs and ignominies wherewith he was insulted; the false accusations and unjust sentence by which he was condemned to death, and which he bore with heavenly patience. I ask it through his bitter tears and bloody sweat, his silence and resignation, his sadness and grief of heart. I ask it through the blood which trickled from his royal and sacred head, when struck with his sceptre of a reed, and pierced with his crown of thorns. I ask it through the excruciating torments he suffered, when his hands and feet were fastened with heavy nails to the cross. I ask it through his vehement thirst, and bitter passion of vinegar and gall. ask it through his dereliction on the cross, when he exclaimed: My God! My God! why hast thou forsaken me? I ask it through his mercy extended to the good thief, and through his recommendation of his precious soul and spirit into the hands of his eternal Father before he expired, saying, It is finished. I ask it through the blood mixed with water which issued from his sacred side when pierced with a lance, from whence a plenteous stream of grace and mercy has flowed to us. I ask it through his immaculate life, his bitter passion, and ignominious death on the cross, at which nature itself was thrown into convulsions, by the bursting of I 'cks, rending of the veil of the temple, the earthquake, and darkness of the sun and moon. I ask it through his descent into hell, where he comforted the saints of the old law with his presence, and led captivity captive. rose again to life on the third day, and through the

which his appearance, for forty days after, gave to thee, his blessed Mother, his apostles, and the rest of his disciples, when, in thine and their presence, he miraculously ascended into heaven. I ask it through the grace of the Holy Ghost, infused into the hearts of the apostles, when he descended upon them in the form of fiery tongues, which inspired them with zeal for the conversion of the world, when they went forth to preach the gospel. ask it through the awful appearance of thy Son, at the last dreadful day, when he shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. I ask it through the compassion he bore thee in this life, and the ineffable joy thou didst feel at thine assumption into heaven, where theu art eternally absorbed in the sweet contemplation of his divine perfections. O glorious and everblessed Virgin! comfort the heart of thy suppliant, by obtaining for me [kere mention your request, under the condition of its being agreeable to the will of God]. And as I am persuaded my divine Saviour deth honour thee as his beloved Mother, to whom he can refuse nothing, so let me speedily experience the efficacy of thy powerful intercession, according to the tenderness of thy maternal affection, and his filial loving heart, who mercifully granteth the requests and complieth with the desires of those that love and fear him. Wherefore, O most blessed Virgin, besides the object of my present petition, and whatever else I may stand in need of, obtain for me also of thy dear Son, our Lord and our God, a lively faith, a firm hope, a perfect charity, a true contrition of heart, unfeigned tears of compunction, a sincere confession, an abstinence from sin, a love of God and my neighbour, a contempt of the world, and patience under all affronts and ignominies; nay, even, if necessary, an opprobrious death itself, for the love of my Saviour Jesus Christ. Obtain likewise for me, O sacred Mother of God! perseverance in good works, the performance of good resolutions, the mortification of self-will, a pious conversation through life, and, at my last moments, a strong and sincere repentance, accompanied by such a lively and attentive presence of mind as may enable me to receive a last sacraments of the Church worthily, and die in thy friendship and favour. Lastly, obtain, I beseech thee, for the souls of my parents, brethren, relations, and benefactors, both living and dead, life everlasting. Amen.

Six Prayers of St. Bridget.

To be said in honour of the sacred Wounds of our Blessed Saviour.

1. O most sweet Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal sweetness of those who love thee; the joy, desire, and firm hope of the hopeless; solace of the sorrowful, and most merciful lover of all penitent sinners; who hast said, thy delight is to be with the sons of men; for the love of whom thou didst assume human nature in the fulness of time: remember, most sweet Lord Jesus, all those sharp sorrows which did pierce thy sacred soul, from the first instant of thy incarnation, until the time of thy sorrowful passion, preordained from all eternity: remember, O most amiable Saviour, all that hitter anguish thou didst suffer, when at thy last supper thou didst wash the feet of thy disciples, didst feed them with the sacred banquet of thy precious body and blood, and most sweetly comforting them, didst foretel them thy ensuing passion; after which, going to Mount Olivet, thou saidst, Mu soul is sorrewful unto death. Remember, I beseech thee, O most sweet Saviour, that bitter grief and anguish which thy sacred soul did suffer when, praying three several times to thy heavenly Father, thou didst sweat water and blood, thou wast betrayed by thy own disciple, apprehended by thy chosen people, accused by false witnesses, unjustly arraigned before three judges, and in thy chosen city, in the Paschal solemnity, in the flourishing age of thy youth, wrongfully condemned, bound, beaten, spurned, spit upon, despoiled of thy garments, and clothed with others in scorn; wast blindfolded, buffeted, spit upon again, bound naked to a pillar, most cruelly scourged, crowned with thorns, struck with a reed, and afflicted with innumerable other torments, pains, and injuries. O my Lord Jesus, by the mema and metit of all that bitter pain and anguish, before

breathedst thy last upon the cross, vouchsafe to grant me, before my death, true contrition, entire confession, a flowing fountain of tears, full satisfaction, and plenary remission of all my sins. Amen.

O most gracious Lord Jesus, be propitious to me a

sinner.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

2. O most sweet Lord Jesus, ever-flowing fountain of heavenly delights, remember, I beseech thee, that grief and sorrow which thou didst suffer when thy cruel enemies, like fierce lions, with furious and dreadful looks, compassing thee round about, did tear off thy hair, spit upon thy sacred face, scratch, buffet thee, and with all manner of unheard-of injuries, outrages, and torments, did most cruelly and basely blaspheme, scorn, and affront thee. O most sweet Lord Jesus, by all those most barbarous and inhuman outrages which thou didst suffer, vouchsafe to deliver me from all my enemies, visible and invisible, that, protected under the shadow of thy wings, I may safely arrive at the port of eternal glory. Amen.

O most gracious Lord Jesus, &c.

3. O most sweet Lord Jesus, omnipotent creator and fabricator of the world, and repairer of mankind, who containest both heaven and earth in thy hand, and whose immensity no bounds can limit: remember, I beseech thee, that bitter pain and anguish which thou didst endure, when the perfidious Jews pierced thy delicate and tender hands and feet with most rough and blunt nails, stretching them forth violently with cords to the holes they had made in the cross. Thus they heaped dolours upon dolours, most cruelly disjointing all thy bones, breaking all thy veins, and renewing all thy sacred wounds. O most sweet Jesus, by the memory of all these pains and torments on the cross, vouchsafe to give me thy fear and love, with perfect charity towards my neighbour. Amen.

O most pious Lord Jesus, &c.

4. O most sweet Lord Jesus, heavenly physician of human nature, and eternal king; remember, I beseech thee, all those bitter pains which thou didst endure in sacred members, who being raised up upon the cross

with all thy precious body rent and torn, all thy bones being so disjointed, that not one remained in its right place; not having from the crown of thy head unto the soles of thy feet, any part left whole, so that no dolour could be compared to thine; at which time being unmindful of thine own torments, thou didst mercifully pray to thy heavenly Father for thy cruel enemies, saying, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do; O most meek and merciful Lord Jesus, by this thy admirable benignity, goodness, love, and mercy, and by all thy bitter pains and torments, grant that the memory of thy dolorous passion may be to me a most powerful protection of my soul and body, against all the deceits, temptations, and molestations of the devils, my cruel enemies. Amen.

O most merciful Lord Jesus, &c.

5. O most sweet Lord Jesus Christ, mirror of eternal brightness, and wisdom of the omnipotent Father, remember the bitter grief and sorrow thy sacred soul did feel, when beholding in the clear mirror of thy divine presence, the predestination of the elect, who through the merits of thy most wholesome passion were to be saved, and the reprobation of the wicked, who for their ingratitude were to be damned, and the abyss of thy immense mercy, by which thou didst commiserate and shed tears for us miserable, lost, forlorn sinners: and chiefly by that mercy thou didst shew to the thief upon the cross, saying to him, This day thou shalt be with me in Paradise, I beseech thee, O most sweet Lord Jesus, my Lord and my God, to shew the like mercy to me, now, and at the hour of my death. Amen.

O most sweet Lord Jesus, &c.

6. O most sweet Lord Jesus, omnipotent king and most amiable friend, remember the bitter grief and sorrow thy sacred soul did suffer, when, being forsaken by all thy friends and acquaintances, thou didst hang naked, rent, and torn, upon the cross, not having any to comfort or compassionate thee, but only the blessed Virgin Mary, thy mcther, who, standing under the cross, in the bitterness of her soul, accompanied thee in all thy torments, unto whom thou didst commend thy beloved discomments.

ciple St. John in thy place, saying unto her, Woman, behold thy son! and after to that disciple, Behold thy mother! O most sweet Lord Jesus, by that sword which did then transpierce her sacred soul, and by the tender over and compassion wherewith thou didst behold the sad distress of thy sorrowfal mother, have pity and compassion on me, I beseech thee, my dearest Lord, and mercifully help, comfort, succour, and assist me in all my tribulations, adversities, necessities, sorrows, and sufferings, both spiritual and corporal. Amen.

O most blessed Lord Jesus, &c.

The Agnus Dei.

An Agnus Dei (so called from the image of the Eamb of God impressed on the face of it) is made of wirgin wax, balsam, and chrism, blessed according to the form prescribed in the Roman Ritual.

The Pope consecrates the Agnus Dei the first year of his pontificate, and afterwards every seventh year, on Saturday before Low Sunday, with many solemn ceremonies and devout pravers.

The use of the Agnus Det is very ancient. Pope Lee III. made a present of one to the Emperor Charlemagne, who received it as a treasure sent from heaven, and reverenced it with a singular piety and devotion.

A Prayer to be daily said by those who carry about them an Agnus Dei.

O my Lord Jesus Christ, the true Lamb who taketh away the sins of the world; by thy mercy, which is infinite, pardon my iniquities, and, by thy sacred Passion, preserve me this day from all sin and evil. I carry about me this holy Agnus in thine honour, as a preservative against mine own weakness, and as an incentive to the practice of that meekness, humility, and innocence which thou hast taught us. I offer myself up to thee as an entire oblation, and in memory of that sacrisfice of love which thou didst offer for me on the cross, and in satisfaction for my sins. Accept this oblation, I beseech thee, O my God; and may it be acceptable to thee in the odour of sweetness. Amen.

Short Prayers of St. Gregory

ON OUR LORD'S PASSION.

- 1. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I adore thy hanging upon the cross, and wearing a crown of thorns. I humbly pray thee, that thy blood may deliver me from the destroying angel. Amen. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.
- 2. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I adore thee wounded on the cross, and having gall and vinegar given thee to drink. I beseech thee, that thy wounds may become the cure of my soul. Amen. Our Father, &c.
- 3. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I beseech thee, through the bitterness of the pains which thou didst suffer in the hour of death, and chiefly when thy most holy soul departed from thy blessed body, have mercy on my soul at its quitting my body, and bring it to eternal life. Amen. Our Father, &c.
- 4. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I adore thee laid in the sepulchre, and embalmed with myrrh and spices; grant, I beseech thee, that thy death may be my life. Amen. Our Father, &c.
- 5. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I adore thee descending into Limbo, and delivering from thence thy captives; never permit, I beseech thee, my soul to be separated from thee. Amen. Our Father, &c.
- 6. O my Lord Jesus Christ, I adore thee rising from the dead, ascending into heaven, and sitting at the right hand of thy Father; grant, I beseech, that I may follow thee thither, and deserve to be presented to him by thee. Amen. Our Father, &c.
- 7. O my Lord Jesus Christ, who art the good Shepherd, preserve the just, justify sinners, have mercy on all the faithful, and be propitious to me, a miserable and unworthy sinner. Amen. Our Father, &c.

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Brayers to the Sacred Wounds of Jesus.

Collect.

O most lovely Redeemer of my soul, prostrate before thee upon the cross my conscience reproaches me with having nailed thee with my own hands to that cross, as often as I have fallen into grievous sin, thus wounding thee by my exceeding ingratitude. O my God, my most perfect and Sovereign Good, to whom are due all the affections of my heart for the blessings which thou hast unceasingly bestowed upon me; I, miserable that I am, cannot undo my evil deeds as I would; but with deep sorrow I abhor them as offences against thine infinite goodness; and, kneeling at thy Feet, I will at least endeavour to compassionate thee, to thank thee, and to implore of thee pardon and amendment of life, while with my heart upon my lips I thus say:

THE WOUND OF THE LEFT FOOT.

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred Wound of thy Left Foot; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for the love with which thou didst labour to overtake me in the way of perdition, staining thyself with the blood drawn forth by the thorns and briers of my sins. I offer to the Eternal Father the sorrow and the love of thy sacred Humanity, in expiation of my abominable transgressions, which I detest with bitter and sincere contrition.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory,

THE WOUND OF THE RIGHT FOOT.

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred Wound of thy Right Foot; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for the love which transfixed thee, convulsed and bleeding in punishment of my wanderings, and the guilty indulgence of my unbridled passions. I offer the sorrow and the love of thy most sacred Humanity to the Eternal Father; and implore of him the grace to bewail my transgressions with burning tears, and to per-

severe in the path of goodness entered upon, without ever withdrawing myself from obedience to thy divine commandments.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

THE WOUND OF THE LEFT HAND.

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred Wound of thy Left Hand; I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for having averted with such love the scourges and the everlasting condemnation due to my sins. I offer to the Eternal Father the sorrow and the love of thy most sacred Humanity; and entreat him that I may spend the remainder of my life profitably, in bringing forth fruits worthy of penance, and thus disarming his irritated justice.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

THE WOUND OF THE RIGHT HAND.

O my Jesus, I adore the most sacred Wound of thy Right Hand: I compassionate thy bitter sufferings. I thank thee for having loaded me with ever-increasing benefits; notwithstanding my miserable want of correspondence with them. I offer to the Eternal Father the sorrow and the love of thy most sacred Humanity, entreating him to change my heart and affections, and to enable me to perform all my actions according to his good pleasure.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

THE WOUND OF THE SACRED SIDE.

O my Jesus, I adore the most holy Wound of thy sacred Side; I compassionate thee for that bitter insult. I thank thee for the love which presented thy Breast and Heart to the thrust, and gave up the last drops of blood and water for my plentiful redemption. I offer to the Eternal Father the outrage and the love of thy most sacred Humanity, that my soul, having once entered into that most loving Heart, so ready and willing to receive the worst of sinners, may go out no more for ever.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

TO OUR BLESSED LADY OF DOLOURS.

O Mary, Virgin Mother of God, who endurest a martyrdom of love and grief at beholding the sufferings and sorrows of Jesus, thou didst co-operate in the benefit of my redemption by thy innumerable afflictions, and by offering to the Eternal Father his only-begotten Son and thine, as a holocaust and victim of propitiation for my sins. I compassionate thy bitter sufferings; I thank thee for the all but infinite love which led thee to deprive thyself of the fruit of thy womb, true God and true man, to save me a sinner. Ah, interpose the ever-availing intercession of thy dolours with the Father and the Son, that I may steadfastly amend my life, and never again crucify my loving Redeemer by new sins; and that, persevering till death in his grace, I may obtain eternal life through the merits of his painful cross and Passion.

Three Hail Marys.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at the sixth hour didst ascend the gibbet of the cross for the redemption of the world, and didst shed thy Precious Blood for the remission of sins; we humbly beseech thee to grant us after death the joy

of entering the gates of paradise.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, that the Blessed Virgin Mary, thy Mother, may intercede for us with thy clemency, now and at the hour of our death, who in the hour of thy Passion was pierced in her most holy soul by the sword of sorrow; grant this, O Jesus Christ. Saviour of the world, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, world without end. Amen.

100 days' Indulgence daily to all the faithful who shall devoutly recite the above prayers to the Five Wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ. To those who shall have recited them at least ten times a month, a plenary Indulgence twice a year, namely, on the Feast of the Invention of the most Holy Cross (3d May), and of its Exaltation (14th Sept.), they having confessed and communicated on those days. And further, to those who shall recite them from Passion Sunday to the end of the Holy Week inclusive, an Indulgence of seven years, and seven quarantains on each of the said days, and a plenary Indulgence on Easter Sunday, they having confessed and communicated on that day, praying for Holy Church. These Indulgences are perpetual, and applicable to the holy souls in purgatory.

The Passion of our Lord.

According to the opinion of the holy fathers and doctors of the Church, there is no more efficacious or useful means by which to progress in the way of salvation than the frequent remembrance of, and meditation on, the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is sufficient for us to know how St. Augustin expresses himself on this subject (lib, ii, Advers. Manich. c. xxii.). "I have found," he says, "no more effectual consolation in all my adversities than the wounds of Jesus Christ. I sleep in them with assurance, and I rest in them without fear. Jesus Christ has died for us. There is nothing so bitter that it may not be made sweet by the death of Christ. All my hope is built on the death of my Lord. His death is my merit, my refuge, my salvation, my life, and my resurrection. The mercy of our Lord is my merit. I shall not be wanting in merit as long as our Lord ceases not to be merciful to me; and since the mercies of our Lord are great, my merit is also great. The greater is his power to save us, the safer am I. If this or that un-pleasant thought pursues and troubles me, I run to take refuge in the wounds of Jesus Christ. If my evil inclinations weigh me down, I again raise myself by the remembrance of the wounds of my Saviour. If Satan secretly torments me, I confide in the most intimate mercy of my Lord, and he does not forsake me. If the sting of concu-piscence attacks me, it is deadened by the remembrance of the wounds of my Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God."
. . . . St. Bernard says (Serm. 2 in Epiph.): "As for me, my brothers, from the very commencement of my conversion, perceiving that I was wanting in virtue, I appropriated to myself this nosegay of myrrh, composed of all the sufferings and bitter sorrows of my Saviour, and I fastened it on my breast. As long as I live, its remembrance will never be effaced from my memory. I have found that wisdom consisted in meditating on these things, and I discovered that therein alone were the perfection of justice, the plentitude of science, the riches of salvation, and the abundance of merit. You also, my brothers, should form to yourselves a nosegay of the Passion of Jesus Christ, and adorn your bosom with it, and there let it remain; for if you have it thus before your eyes, meditating on the bitter sorrows of our Lord, you will more easily bear your own sufferings, being assisted by the help of Jesus Christ. May God be blessed through all eternity! Amen."

THE CLOCK OF THE PASSION.

In this exercise we divide the Passion and the history of the death of Jesus Christ into twenty-four parts, in order to meditate upon them, either collectively or one by one, at certain times to be determined upon beforehand.

At 6 o'clock in the evening.

After having taken leave of his holy Mother, Jesus celebrates his Last Supper with his disciples.

Admire the excess of his charity, and at the remembrance of it, thank our Lord Jesus Christ for his sufferings and merts, of which egranted us a share at this time; say to him with love and devotion:

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst desire to suffer the dolours of thy Passion. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery. I beseeth thee, by thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 7 o'clock.

Jesus washes the feet of his disciples, and institutes the Sacrament of his love.

Admire the humility with which Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, and his love which induces him to give himself to us to be our food.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst institute the divine sacrament of the altar. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I implore thee, O Jesus, by thy divine merits, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 8 o'clock.

Jesus makes his last discourse after the Supper, and then goes to the Garden of Olives.

Adore the sacred Heart of Jesus, all inflamed with the love of men, and giving to his disciples the food of his holy doctrine.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou gavest thy last instructions, which only breathed the most tender charity, and which were followed by the admirable example of the sacrifice of thyself. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 9 o'clock.

Jesus prays with his face on the ground: "O my Father," says he, "if it be possible, let this chalice pass from me; nevertheless, not my will, but thine be done."

Admire the perfect submission of Jesus.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst accept with so much love the chalice of thy Passion. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 10 o'clock.

Jesus begins his agony, and sweats blood and water.

Adore the sacred Heart of Jesus as the source of eternal life.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe for our sakes to be seized with fear and filled with anguish. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 11 o'clock.

Jesus is strengthened by an angel.

Adore the divine Saviour as the truth that enlightens the world, and the life that animates it.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which

thou didst vouchsafe, for the sake of our weakness, to accept the consolations of an angel. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I implore thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At Midnight.

Jesus is betrayed by the kiss of Judas, and bound with chains.

Adore the divine Saviour in his slavery of love.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to be bound, in order to draw us to thee by the sweet chains of thy love. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 1 o'clock.

Jesus is led to Annas.

Adore Jesus, as the teacher of truth, reduced by his love to the greatest abasement.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to be delivered up to the fury of wicked men; oh, grant that I may humble myself for the love of thee. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 2 o'clock.

Jesus is accused before Caiphas, where he receives a blow on his face, and answers meekly to him that struck him.

Admire the ineffable gentleness of Jesus.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to suffer this insult, in order to teach us to be meek and humble of heart. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 3 o'elock.

Whilst Jesus is insulted in the prison, he is also denied by St. Peter for the third time.

Admire the profound sorrow of Jesus on seeing himself forsaken by all his disciples, and beholding the cowardies of St. Peter, and the malice with which the Jews bandage his eyes, and strike him and turn him into ridicule.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe by one look of compassion to touch the heart of thy disciple; oh, do thou pierce mine with love and sorrow for my sins. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 4 o'clock.

Jesus, summoned before the great council, is declared worthy of death.

Admire the modesty and the patience of our divine Saviour.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose by thy silence to suffer the opprobium of passing for a blasphemer and for a criminal worthy of death. I adore thee, O Eternal Word, and I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 5 o'clock.

Jesus is led before Pilate, in whose presence he is accused. Salute him, and adore him as your Master, your Saviour, and your King.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe, for the love of us, to suffer this fresh outrage. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 6 o'clock.

Jesus, in the presence of Herod, is clothed in a white robe, and treated as a fool.

Adore the Son of God, in whom his divine power is thus veiled. Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to be loaded with insults: oh, let my consolation be to be despised for thy sake. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 7 o'clock.

Jesus is conducted back to Pilate, and Barabbas is preferred before him.

Adore the Heart of Jesus, inexhaustible treasure of every good, open to all, and too little known by men.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to suffer this insulting preference; oh, detach my heart from all created things. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 8 o'clock.

Jesus is cruelly scourged at the pillar; his blood flows on every side.

Admire the immense love to which the wounds of our Saviour bear witness.

Blessed be the hour, O my Saviour Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to be torn by scourges, and to shed thy precious blood in order to blot out my sins. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 9 o'clock.

Jesus is crowned with thorns, and afterwards insulted by the soldiers.

Adore the divine King of your heart, in this cruel state in which he suffers for you.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe to suffer this painful crowning for our sakes; oh, pierce my heart with sorrow and regret for having offended thee. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech

thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 10 o'clock.

Pilate condemns Jesus to death, and abandons him to the cruelty of the Jers.

Adore the Holy of holies, treated as a criminal, and led to Calvary with the cross on his shoulders.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe, for the love of us, to be condemned to death, and delivered up to thy cruel enemies. Thou didst then walk laden with a heavy cross, in order to help me to carry mine with patience; I thank thee for it I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 11 o'clock.

Jesus is stripped of his garments and fastened to the cross.

Adore this divine Lamb, immolated as a victim on the altar of the

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst choose to be stripped of thy garments and sacrificed as a lamb that is slain, to be offered in holocaust; oh, give me a heart capable of returning this great love! I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At Noon.

Jesus prays for his executioners, and promises paradise to the good thief.

Adore the divine Shepherd, who gives his life for his sheep.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe to give thyself up as a victim of expiation for us; oh, may thy cross soften thy judgment, and comfort my soul at the hour_of my death! I unite

all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I implore thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 1 o'clock.

Jesus offers his soul up to his Divine Father, and recommends his holy Mother to his beloved disciple, whom he also recommends to his holy Mother.

Admire the entire resignation of our most holy Redeemer upon the cross; give him eternal thanksgiving for the love which induced him to intrust us in the person of St. John to the care of his divine Mother.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst ordain that Mary should become our Mother; oh, grant that the love of thee and of her may inflame my heart! I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 2 o'clock.

Jesus cries out, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Then he says, "I thirst;" and having taken the vinegar, he says, "It is consummated."

Admire the unalterable patience of the Son of God, and sympathise with this burning thirst which he feels for our salvation.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou didst vouchsafe to give us such touching examples of resignation and of zeal for the salvation of souls, and for the accomplishment of the will of thy heavenly Father. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 3 o'clock.

Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, bends down his head, and expires.

Admire the last sigh of God your Saviour, and the sacrifice that he makes of himself on the cross for our salvation.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which

thou didst vouchsafe to die for us, in order to consummate the great work of our redemption. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to remember me at the hour of my death and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 4 piclock.

A soldier pierces the sacred side of Jesus with a lance, after which Joseph and Nicodemus take down his holy Body from the cross, and place it in the arms of his afflicted Mother.

Adore this sacred wound, from which flowed forth blood and water.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou wert pleased, through thy wound, to open to us thy sacred Heart, the source of salvation and grace; oh, let thy divine unction flow upon us through the hands of Mary, to whom thou didst leave us as her adopted children! I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me at the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

At 5 o'clock.

Jesus is placed in the holy sepulchre.

Adore Jesus Christ, who remains in our tabernacles, as it were enclosed in a holy sepulchre.

Blessed be the hour, O my Lord Jesus Christ, in which thou wert pleased to resign thyself into the hands of Joseph and Nicodemus to be buried; which foreshowed so well the generosity with which thou dost abandon thyself into the hands of the priests, in order that thou mayest thy own self provide the better for my wants. O my Jesus, grant me a share in the compassion of thy holy Mother; arm me with the courage of thy two disciples against all human respect; but above all give me the ardent love of Mary Magdalen, in order that I may seek thee until I have found thee risen again to die no more. I unite all my actions and all my sufferings to this adorable mystery; and I beseech thee, through thy

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divine merits, O Jesus, to vouchsafe to remember me to the hour of my death, and to grant me pardon and mercy.

PRAYER, "RESPICE."

Look down, O Lord, Holy Father, from thy sanctuary, and from heaven thy dwelling-place on high, and behold this sacred victim, which our great High-Priest, thy holy, innocent, and well-beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, offers up to thee for the sins of his brethren; and be appeased for the multitude of the transgressions of the world. Behold the voice of the blood of our Brother, thy first-born Jesus, cries to thee from the cross. Give ear, O Lord; be appeased, O Lord; hearken and do: tarry not for thine own sake, O our God; for thy name is called upon this house and city, and upon all thy people; and deal with us according to thine infinite mercy. Through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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ST. JOSEPH, ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, &c.

Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph.

1. O glorious St. Joseph, most pure spouse of thy most holy Mary, even as the trouble and anguish of thy heart was great in the perplexity of abandoning thy most chaste and stainless spouse, so, too, inexplicable was thy delight when by the angel was revealed to thee the sovereign mystery of the Incarnation.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, we pray thee, now and in our last agony, to comfort our soul with the joy of a good life, and of a holy death, like unto thine

between Jesus and Mary.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

2. O glorious St. Joseph, most blessed patriarch, who wast selected for the office of reputed father of the Word made Man, the grief which thou didst feel at seeing the child Jesus born in such great poverty was suddenly changed for thee into heavenly exultation at hearing the angelic harmony, and seeing the glories of that most resplendent night.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, we beseech thee to obtain for us that, after the journey of this life is over, we may pass hence to hear the angelic praises, and

to enjoy the splendours of the glory of heaven.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

3. O glorious St. Joseph, who didst fulfil most obediently all God's commands, the most precious blood which the child Redeemer shed in the circumcision struck death into thy heart, but the name of Jesus revived it and filled it full of joy.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us that, all vices having been taken from us during life, we may expire in exultation with the most holy name of

Jesus in our hearts and upon our lips.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

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4. O most glorious St. Joseph, most faithful saint, who wast a partaker in the mysteries of our redemption, if Simeon's prophecy of that which Jesus and Mary were to suffer caused thee a mortal pang, it filled thee also with a blessed joy at the salvation and glorious resurrection of innumerable souls, which he at the same time, foretold would thence proceed.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us that we may be of the number of those who, through the merits of Jesus, and at the intercession of the Virgin

Mother, are to rise again in glory.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

5. O glorious St. Joseph, most watchful guardian and familiar attendant of the incarnate Son of God, how much didst thou suffer in supporting and in serving the Son of the Most High, particularly in the flight which thou hadst to make into Egypt; but how much again didst thou rejoice at having always with thee that same God, and at seeing the idols of Egypt fall to the ground.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us that, by keeping far from us hell's tyrant, especially by flying from dangerous occasions, every idol of earthly affection may fall from our hearts; and that, wholly occupied in the service of Jesus and of Mary, we may live

for them alone, and die a happy death.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

6. O glorious St. Joseph, angel of the earth, who didst marvel at beholding the King of Heaven subject to thy commands, if thy consolation at bringing him back from Egypt was disturbed by the fear of Archelaus, yet, assured by the angel, thou didst with Jesus and Mary dwell in joy at Nazareth.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, obtain for us that our heart, unclouded by hurtful fears, may enjoy peace of conscience, and that we may live secure with

Jesus and Mary, and with them may also die.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

7. O glorious St. Joseph, model of all holiness, when, without fault of thine, thou hadst lost the child Jesus, thou didst seek him for three days in the greatest sorrow, until with joyful heart thou didst possess again thy life, finding him in the Temple among the doctors.

Through this sorrow and this joy of thine, with fervent sighs we supplicate thee to interpose in our behalf, that so it may never befall us to lose Jesus by mortal sin: but that, if unhappily we ever lose him, we may seek him again with unwearied sorrow, until once more we find his favour, especially at the moment of our death, that so we may pass to the enjoyment of him in heaven, and there with thee sing his divine mercies for all eternity.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

Ant. Jesus himself was beginning about his thirtieth year, being (as it was supposed) the son of Joseph.

v. Pray for us, O holy Joseph.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O God, who by thy ineffable providence didst vouchsafe to choose the blessed Joseph for the spouse of thy most holy Mother; grant, we beseech thee, that he whom we venerate as our protector on earth may be our intercessor in heaven: who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Indulgences: 100 days each time; 300 days on Wednesdays; 300 days on each day of the two Novenas before his Feast and his Patronage; plenary on those two Feasts; plenary once a month for daily recital; 300 days for each Sunday when recited seven Sundays running. Applicable to the dead.

Act of Offering

TO THE PATRIARCH ST. JOSEPH.

Most glorious patriarch, chastest spouse of the great Mother of God, and reputed father of my Lord Jesus Christ, my loving St. Joseph, confiding in the greatness of thy holiness, and inflamed with the love which Jesus and Mary bore thee, I choose thee this day in their presence to be my especial protector, advocate, and patron; and I firmly purpose to keep this devotion to thee always burning within my heart. And since I know that thou wert appointed by the eternal Father to be the head of the holy family upon earth. I desire to be one of its devoted servants and friends, and I beg of thee to admit me into the number. I desire, unworthy sinner though I be, Y Digitized by Google

to render to thee also the homage which I pay to the Infant Jesus and to his Virgin Mother. I beseech thee also, O my most glorious father St. Joseph, to obtain for me, through thy great merits and by thy most powerful intercession, the grace to imitate in my life thy most holy conversation with Jesus and Mary, so that I too, like thyself, may enjoy the assistance of Jesus and of Mary at my death, and in their arms may breathe forth my soul, saving, Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, I give you my heart and my soud. Amen.

An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, to St. Joseph.

Let us pray.

O God, who by the holy family of the Incarnate Word hast consecrated the whole earth, and hast, in Jesus. Mary, and Joseph, given to us the pattern of holy living; grant that we, who by this blessed three implore of thee the grace of holy living, may, together with the angels, come to praise thee in heaven, who livest in thy blissful and undivided trinity of persons, world without end. Amen.

Responsory to St. Joseph.

Ye that would live and die so. And sought his San, and joyous

In merit strong, of mercy sure, Choose Joseph for your heavenly

To guide your steps and bless your end.

He was sweet Mary's consort dear, And Jesus' sire, when exiled here; Just, true, of purity untold, Say, shall he sak, and God withhold?

He worshipp'd at the manger-bed. And then the Exile comforted;

formd, While on his Father's business

He through sweet toil and patient pains

The world's Artificer sustains; And whom th' angelic legions praise

Obedience to his enesture pays.

And now he waxes old, and dies; But first beholds with loving eyes Jesus and Many-gracious sight-Then sleeps entranced in deep de-

Ant. Behold the faithful and prudent servant whom the Lord set over his house.

y. Pray for us, holy Joseph.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

O God, who in thine ineffable providence didst vouchsafe to choose blessed Joseph to be the husband of thy most holy Mother; grant, we beseech thee, that we may have him for our intercessor in heaven, whom on earth we venerate as our holy protector; who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

An indulgence of one year to all the faithful in the whole Catholic world, every time that with contrite heart and devoutly they say the above Responsory in honour of St. Joseph, to implore his efficacious protection in life and in death.

Litany of St. Joseph, p. 349.

Nobena of St. Francis Xabier.

This Novena commences on the 4th and ends on the 12th March, the anniversary of the canonisation of St. Francis Xavier 1622. The performance of this Novena consists in devoting each of the nine days to prayer and good works to the glory of Almighty God, and in honour of his servant St. Francis Xavier; with the fervent hope and desire of obtaining from God, through his merits, whatsoever we may ask, provided it be conducive to our salvation and to the good of our souls; or if such be not his divine pleasure, some other grace and benefit more in accordance with the will of God,

Litany of St. Francis Xavier, p. 353; Hymn, No. 4.

Let us pray.

O Lord God, who didst vouchsafe by the preaching and miracles of St. Francis Xavier to join unto thy Church the countries of the Indies; grant, we beseech thee, that we who reverence his glorious merits, may also imitate his example; through Christ our Lord. Amen. O Lord Jesus Christ, true God and true man, my Creator and my Redeemer, for thy sake, and because I love thee above all things, I am truly sorry for having offeaded thee: I firmly purpose never again to fall into ain, to shun all occasions of offending thee, to confess my sins, to perform the penance that shall be enjoined me, and to make restitution and satisfaction wherever it shall be due from me. For the lowe of thee, I forgive all my ememies; to thee I offer up my life, my actions, and my sufferings, in satisfaction for my sins; and I trust in thy infinite goodness and mercy, that thou wilt forgive me, through the merits of thy Precious Blood and Passion, and that thou wilt also give me grace to amend my life, and to persevere in thy service unto my death. Amen.

Most glorious St. Francis Xavier, Apostle of the Indies, if that which I desire to obtain by performing this Novena be for the glory of God and for thy honour, do thou intercede for it with our Lord; if otherwise, do thou obtain for me some grace more conformable to his divine will, by which I may the more surely promote thy honour and benefit my own soul.

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST DAY.

Lord God of the Angels, to whom thou dost commit the guardianship of men, I offer unto thee the merits of these heavenly spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, who also was called an angel for his purity, and because he preserved men from many spiritual and corporal dangers. I beseech thee to grant me that purity of soul and body which thou didst confer on this thy holy Apostle, and that particular grace which I beg in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE SECOND DAY.

Lord God of the Archangels, to whom thou dost intrust the most weighty concerns of thy glory, I offer unto thee the merits of these most diligent spirits, and those of thy great servant St. Francis Xavier, whom thou didst make the minister of thy glory, and to whom thou didst recommend the spiritual weifare of innumerable souls. I beseech thee to grant that I may perform those duties which thy most holy will hath imposed upon me, and

¹ This prayer is different for every day of the Novena.

also that I may obtain that particular grace which I beg of thee in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE THIRD DAY.

Lord God of the Principalities, through whom then dost enlighten, instruct, and govern mankind, I offer unto thee the merits of these most zealous spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, who, not only by himself, but also by his disciples and followers, enlightened and converted many provinces and kingdoms, and in them innumerable souls, instructing, teaching, and commanding. I beseech thee to grant me the zeal of this holy Aposfie, and the particular petition I make in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE FOURTH DAY.

Lord God of the Powers, to whom it especially belongs to carb the infernal spirits, I offer unto thee the merits of these mighty spirits, and those of the servant St. Francis Xavier, to whom thou gavest singular power to expel devils from bodies and souls. I besend thee to grant me the grace to overcome all the temptations of the devil; grant also that which I beg of thee in this Novens, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE FIFTH DAY.

Lord God of the Virtues, by whose means thou workest miracles and prodigies peculiar to thy sovereign power, I offer unto thee the merits of these most wonderful spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, whom thou didst make a worker of new and prodigious miracles, renewing in him the signs and wonders of thy bleased Apostles, that he might make known the gospel to strange nations. I beseech thee to grant me that profound humility wherewith St. Francis Xavier amidst so many miracles sought thy glory, and not his own honour, as also that which I beg in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE SIXTH DAY.

Lord God of the Dominations, who as ministers of thy providence preside over all inferior spirits, and submit themselves to thy will, being ever ready to fulfil it, I offer unso thee the merits of these excellent spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, who though he excelled many, yet humbly submitted himself to all superiors, and readily fulfilled their commands, in them acknowledging thy majesty. I beseech thee to grant me ready and perfect obedience to all my superiors, and that special petition which I make in this Novens, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE SEVENTH DAY.

Lord God of the Thrones, on whom thou dost repose as on the seat of thy glory and chair of thy majesty, I offer unto thee the merits of these supreme spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, that throne of thy glory, that vessel of election to convey thy name to heathen nations, who denied himself to himself, and to all worldly things, casting them out of his heart, that thou alone mightest possess it. I beseech thee to grant that I may despise all worldly things, and rest in thee alone; grant me also the petition I make in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE EIGHTH DAY.

Lord God of the Cherubim, who are adorned with the most perfect wisdom, I offer unto thee the merits of these most glorious spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, to whom thou didst give the grace of supereminent wisdom, and to whom thou didst reveal most profound secrets, that he might teach thy law to many people and nations. I beseech thee to grant that I may learn to fear and please thee, which is true wisdom, and that by word and example I may teach others to keep thy commandments; grant me also the favour I beg in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

THE NINTH DAY.

Lord God of the Seraphim, who are inflamed with most ardent love of thee, I offer unto thee the merits of these most fervent spirits, and those of thy servant St. Francis Xavier, who like a Seraph, was inflamed with thy love, conquering innumerable hardships and dangers of life to please thee, and to make those know and love thee who before offended thee and knew thee not. I beseech thee to grant that I may love thee, my only God and Lord, and may endeavour to bring all men to the knowledge

and love of thee; grant me also that which I ask in this Novena, to thy greater honour and glory. Amen.

Here say thrice the Lord's Prayer and thrice the Hall Mary, and then the following prayer to St. Francis Xavier:

Most holy father Francis Xavier, who didst receive praise from the mouths of innocent children, I humbly implore thy bountiful charity, for the sake of the most Precious Blood of Jesus, and of the immaculate conception of our Blessed Lady, Mother of God, to obtain of God's infinite goodness that, at the approach of my last hour, my heart may be separated and withdrawn from all worldly thoughts and distractions, and be fixed in the most ardent love of him, and the desire of a happy eternity: so that, laying aside all earthly things, which have hitherto perplexed me, I may most diligently seek and perfectly find that one thing which is necessary, to die and rest in peace, under the protection of the most holy Virgin Mary, in the wounds of Jesus her most blessed Son, in the sweet embraces of my God, and in thy presence, holy Saint, through whose intercession I hope to obtain this mercy. But yet, whilst it shall please the divine providence to preserve my life, I beseech thee, my loving protector and affectionate father, to obtain for me of his divine majesty, that I may live as one that is to die, and as I would wished to have lived at the hour of my death; ever imitating thy virtues, and fulfilling the most holy will of God, that so my temporal death may be to me a passage into life everlasting. I also beseech thee to obtain for me that which I ask in this Novena, if it be for the glory of God and for the good of my soul. Amen.

Eternal God, Creator of all things, remember that thou alone didst create the souls of infidels, framing them to thy own image and likeness; and yet behold, O Lord, how to thy dishonour they daily become a prey to the Evil One. Remember, O Lord, thy only Son Jesus Christ, who suffered for them, most bountifully shedding his Precious Blood, and permit not that he be any longer despised by the infidels; but rather, being appeased by the entreaties and prayers of thine elect, of the Saints, and of the Church, the most blessed spouse of thy Son, vouchsafe to be mindful of thy snercy, and, forgetting their idolatry and infidelity, cause them also

know him thou didet send, Jesus Christ thy Som our Lord, who is our health, our life, and our resurrection, through whom we are made free and are saved, and to

whom be all glory for ever. Amen.

Ant. Well fare thee, good and faithful servant; because thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will place thee over many things: enter thou into the joy of

thy Lord.

y. The Lord hath led the just man by right ways. By. And he hath shown him the kingdom of God.

Let us pray.

O God, who wast pleased to reduce to the bosom of thy Church the nations of the Indies, through the preaching and miracles of St. Francis Xavier; mercifully grant that we may imitate the virtues of him whose glorious merits we commemorate: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Commemoration of St. Ignatius Loyela.

Ant. This man despising the world, and triumphing over earthly things, heaped up riches in heaven both by word and work.

V. The Lord hath loved him and hath adorned him.

Ry. He hath clothed him with a robe of glory.

Let us pray.

O God, who for the increase of the greater glory of thy name hast, by blessed Ignatius, strengthened the Church militant with new auxiliaries; vouchsafe that, combating upon earth by his assistance and imitation, we may deserve to be crowned with him in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Commemoration of St. Gregory the Great, Apostle of England.

Ant. O most excellent doctor, light of the Holy Charch, blessed Gregory, lover of God's law, supplicate the Son of God for us.

y. The Lord hath chosen him a priest unto himself.

W. To offer up unto him the sacrifice of praise.

Let us pray.

O God, who hast bestowed the rewards of eternal blessedness on the soul of thy servant Gregory; mercifully grant that we, who are depressed with the weight of our sins, may by his prayers be delivered: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER TO A SAINT ON HIS FEAST-DAY.

O holy N., I praise thee, bless thee, and glorify thee, and congratulate thee with all my heart on all the glory and hortour which are rendered to thee to-day, through the boundless liberality of the divine goodness. I recall to thy mind now the overflowing gladness with which thou didst rejoice when thou wast presented before the face of the glory of God by the ministry of holy angels, to receive from him thine everlasting reward. Remember, O most blessed saint, all thy honour and thy glad rejoicing when the hand of God placed the crown of the kingdom on thy head, and thy soul was set upon the throne of its glory. For these and all other benefits and graces which have been ever bestowed upon thee by the God of majesty, I adore, praise, and bless his unutterable goodness, that he hath poured out upon thee in such abundance the flood of his sweetest compassion; and as the bond of that perpetual love and faithfulness in which I desire to bind myself to thee, I offer thee the sweetest Heart of my Jesus, that treasure of all good things, together with all the love and the condescension he hath ever showed thee upon earth, and now showeth thee in the heavens. And, finally, with most assured trust I commend myself to thy most holy prayers; beseeching and imploring thee that in the dread hour of my death thou wouldst offer unto the Lord, in satisfaction for my manifold negligences, all that collected fervour with which thou didst stand before God perfect and complete on this the day of thine entrance into Paradise. Amen.

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JESUS RISEN—ASCENSION—PENTECOST—THE HOLY TRINITY.

An Erercise

IN HONOUR OF THE MYSTERIES OF JESUS RISEN.

O my blessed Jesus, I adore thee, bright and beautiful in thy Resurrection; I adore thee in all the mysteries of thy Risen Life on earth, and in all the majesty and loveliness of thy most dear Soul and glorified Body, as seen and worshipped in heaven at this hour. I acknowledge thee to be my Lord and my God: I bless thee for thy sweet victory over death, and for thy faithful love in retaining thy five holy Wounds, wherewith we sinners wounded thee on earth. Grant, I beseech thee, O my dearest Jesus, that I may so often and so tenderly meditate upon thee Risen and Glorified, that my heart may become daily more and more inflamed with love of thee, so that thy beauty may make the world dull and intolerable, and I may thirst exceedingly with pure and disinterested love for the hour when thou shalt admit me to behold thee as thou art, my dearest Lord, at this very moment on thy throne in heaven; who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

I believe, &c.

O Queen of Heaven and earth, Mother of God, Mother of Mercy, conceived without stain of original sin, and gloriously crowned in heaven, I desire with all the love of my poor heart to congratulate thee on those wonderful joys which thou didst and dost enjoy in the glory and splendour of Jesus Risen, from that first dawn when he appeared to thee in thy sorrow even to the present hour; and I beseech thee to accept this my devotion to thy maternal joys, and to obtain for me an increase of love to Jesus in this world, and in the world to come the neverfading light of his most blessed countenance. Amen.

Hail Mary.

O glorious and affectionate St. Joseph, Foster-father of Jesus and Spouse of Mary, by the joy of thy meeting with Jesus in the place of departed spirits, and by the joy thou hast this hour in thy nearness to his risen beauty and most sweet splendour, present unto him, I beseech thee, O my dear father and protector, this my devotion to the mysteries of his Risen Life; and as he spared thee the bitterness of his sacred Passion, obtain for me the peace of his Resurrection and the gift of spiritual joy, that I may find no joy but in God, and in Jesus, Mary, and the peace.

Our Father.

. Pray for us. O hely angels of God, alleluis.

Hy. That we may be made worthy of the vision of Jesus

Glorified, alleluia.

O Eternal Father, who of thine infinite goodness chidst give unto us thine eternal and only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, and hast now raised his sacred humanity to the high places of heaven; grant, we beseech thee, that by our devotion to the mysteries of his Risen and Glorified Life both on earth and in heaven, we may so please thee, that by the elemency we may attain to the vision and enjoyment of thee in the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE MYSTERIES.

1. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in thy risen beauty as thou wert at the moment of thy triumph over death, and as thou wert in all thine apparitions during those mysterious forty days: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

R. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluis.

All praise to Jesus for the joys His glory now on Mary showers; It is a joy the joys are hers, For Mary's joys are doubly ours.

2. O'my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that rises beauty in which thou didne

appear to thy Mother at the dawn of day, and didst console her in her sorrow: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

♥. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluis.

All praise, &c.

3. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that power and splendour with which thou didst ascend to heaven, in the presence of thy Mother and the holy Apostles, and as thou wert at the moment they last looked on thee, and earth lost sight of thee, after thy sojourn of three-and-thirty years: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

By. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

4. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that winning majesty and brightness in which thou didst suffer thy first martyr St. Stephen to behold thee at his martyrdom, and thy chosen vessel St. Paul to see thee at his conversion: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory,

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

5. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that risen beauty of thine which takes away from our hearts all sad and sorrowful thoughts of thee, while the sight of the five precious Wounds which thou retainest keeps the memory of thy Passion sweetly alive in our hearts: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

IV. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

6. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in thy risen beauty as thine Apostles beheld

thee and remembered thee after thou hadst ascended, and I desire to enter into their special devotion to thy blissful Resurrection: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

17. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that power and majesty and surpassing loveliness in which thou didst appear assuming thy beloved Mother into heaven, in the presence of all the angels, and placing a crown of stars upon her head, and crowning her Queen of Heaven: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

8. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in thy beauty and splendour when freshly risen, because it is sweet to think of thee as thou art at present, and thou art clothed with that self-same beauty and splendour now, and art worshipped at this time by the hierarchies of heaven, who see thee now just as thou wert when issuing from the tomb: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

9. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that beauty and majesty wherein thou wilt come at last, with angels and in clouds, to judge the world; and they that pierced thee shall look on thee and see thy Wounds: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

By. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

10. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I addressed love thee in that risen beauty and celestial splendour, because it is sweet to think of thee now, as thou wilt ever be, without change, while we shall behold thy sacred humanity in heaven to all eternity: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

By. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, sileluia.

All praise, &c.

11. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that beaming loveliness and impassible humanity in which thou didst appear at thy Resurrection, and in which thou wouldst have come to us thy creatures, if we had never sinned, to show thy love to us, and exalt us to thyself: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluis.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluis.

All praise, &c.

12. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in that impassible and glorified humanity in which thou art beneath the species in thy sweet sacrament of love, melting our hearts, attracting us towards thyself, and showing how thy delight is still to be with the sons of men: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Giorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

By. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

13. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in the beauty and brightness, the clearness and impassibility of thy sacred Heart, which in these last days thou hast vouchesfed to manifest to thy Church, to quicken the love of thy people, and by this beautiful devotion to revive thy sacred fire within their hearts: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

R. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

14. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in all the gifts of thy Risen and Glorified Body; and I bless thee for thine infinite condescension in making thy Resurrection to be the pledge of ours, and thy Glorified Body the model and exemplar of our own: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

15. O my blessed Jesus, my Lord and my God, I adore and love thee in all the beauty and glory, the gifts and graces of thy sacred humanity, as it is at this time the central crown, summit, and perfection of all the creation of God, and the object of the transcending love and blissful complacency of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity: and I bless thee for the joys thou gavest thy dear Mother in thy Soul and Body Glorified.

Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Blessed be Jesus Risen, alleluia.

Ry. And blessed be his five bright Wounds, alleluia.

All praise, &c.

y. Blessed be the Eternal Father, alleluia, alleluia.

by. Who gave his only-begotten Son to suffer and to rise again for men, alleluia, alleluia.

y. Blessed be the Eternal Son, alleluia, alleluia.

Ry. Who was delivered up for our sins, and rose again for our justification, alleluia, alleluia.

▼. Blessed be the Eternally-proceeding Spirit, alleluia,

alleluia.

Ry. Through whose operation Jesus was conceived in

his Virgin Mother's womb, alleluia, alleluia.

We confess thee, God the Father Unbegotten, thee the only-begotten Son, thee the Holy Ghost the Comforter, the Holy and Undivided Trinity; with our whole heart we confess thee, praise thee, and bless thee; for thou art mighty, and dost wonderful things, thou art God alone: to thee be praise, to thee glory, to thee giving of thanks, through everlasting ages, O Blessed Trinity.

An Erencise

IN HONOUR OF THE FORTY DAYS OF THE RISEN LIFE OF JESUS UPON EARTH.

1. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in the moment of his Resurrection, admiring the beauty of his Glorified Humanity, devoutly kissing his five gracious Wounds, and profoundly adaring the hypostatic union of his Divine and Human Natures: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Angels, and beg of him the grace to rise from our sins and world-liness, and by fervour and detachment from creatures to imitate his Risen Life on earth.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

2. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in the moment of his appention to our dear Lady, blessing him for the joy he then infused into he heart, and for all the sweet communications he had with her, and all he said or did for her sake during those forty days: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Archangels, and beg of him an increased love of his glorious and immaculately-conceived Mother, and a special devotion to her joys.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

3. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in all the course of those forty days, adoring with the profoundest adoration all the mysterious actions of God made Man during that time, revealed or hidden from us: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Principalities, offering up all our thoughts, words, and works to God, in union with the thoughts, words, and works of Jesus in the forty days of his Risen Life on earth.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glosy.

4. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in the charity with which he delayed his Ascension for forty days, devoutly admiring the long delay by which he seemed to defer the exaltation of his Sacred Humanity, because of his joy in being en earth with those whom he had chosen and whom he had loved, especially to enjoy the sweet virtues of his most holy Mother: let us join our worship with that of the choir of

the Powers, and let us beg of him the grace, in all our conversation with men, to make ourselves with his interior dispositions during the forty days of his Risen Life on earth.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

5. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in the gracious words of wisdom and divine instructions by which he taught his Apostles his blessed will about his Church, instituted the Sacraments in matter and form, interpreted to them heavenly mysteries, and filuminated them with the doctrines of the faith, preparing them to receive the Holy Ghost during those forty days: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Virtues, and let us ask of him a lively faith in the teaching, and a devout observance of the precepts and ceremonies, of the Holy Church.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

6. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Savious Jesus Christ in his various appearitions after his Resurrection, especially admiring the sweet charity and divine wimaingness of his conduct in them, and the gifts of his Glorified Body manifested in them: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Dominations, and let us sek of him the grace to make fervent Communions, to entertain him in our hearts with all the parity of love, and to be ever watching for all his appearances to us in the interior of our souls, or in the Mystery of the Altar.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

7. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ with his retinue of holy souls, liberated from the Limbus of the fathers, blessing him for the vision he gave them of his beautiful Soul beneath the earth, of the act of his Resurrection, of his apparition to our Blessed Lady, and all their other joys: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Thrones, and let us ask of him the grace to follow him like those holy souls whithersoever he leads us, and to love and minister to him with purity of intention and disinterested worship.

Our Pather, Hail Mary, Glory.

8. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in all his maknown and sacred operations during the forty days of his Risen Life on earth, when he was not manifest to his creatures, admiring at the

same time all the hidden secrets and ineffable love of the sweet mystery of the Incarnation: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Cherubim, to beg of him the science of the Saints and the grace of patient and tender meditation on the mysteries of his three-andthirty years.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

9. Let us contemplate our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in the pomp and glorious pageant of his Ascension, adoring the power of his Godhead, and thank-ing him with profoundest humility for the exaltation of his Sacred Humanity, and his condescending still to wear his five benignant Wounds: let us join our worship with that of the choir of the Seraphim, begging him to melt our hearts within us, to inflame us with the fires of his blessed love, and to give us a special and discerning devotion, with sweet compunction and deep awe, to the mystery of the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity.

- Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

 Y. He shall come again to judge the world, alleluia.

 P. In like manner as he ascended from Mount Olivet, alleluia.
 - y. Pray for us, O holy Apostles of our Lord, alleluia.
- Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O most blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who in various ways and places, during the forty days of thy Risen Life on earth, didst vouchsafe to appear to thy Mother and thine Apostles; vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to manifest thy will to us on earth; so that by the help of thy grace, following thy divine vocation in this life, we may come to see thee in the unfading vision of thy glory in the life to come.

O Lord Jesus Christ, eternal Shepherd of thy chosen flock, desert not thy Church, which thou hast gathered out of the nations, and redeemed by thy Precious Blood, but for the sake of the joyful and glorious mysteries of thy Risen Life, vouchsafe to grant unto her in all lands an increase of the peace of thy Resurrection, and the evenfold gifts of thy blessed Spirit, that she may grow bliness before thee, till thou comest to judge the

world; and we beseech thee for her sake to pour down most abundantly the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon thy Vicar, the Sovereign Pontiff; that the spirit of St. Peter may rest upon him, as the double spirit of Elias rested upon Bliseus, and that by thy elemency he may come, with the flock committed to his care, to the blessed vision of thy glory in heaven. Who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary for the soul in purgatory most devoted to the mysteries of Jesus Risen.

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DEVOTION FOR WHITSUNTIDE.

The Robena of the Holy Ghost.

1st Day.—Fruits of Charity and Joy.

Sing the Veni Creator, p. 436.1

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost—charity and joy.

¹ The version, Hymns, No. 47, may be used if preferred.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

O Most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adome these with all humility; and with the most lively affections of our bearts we besseen thee to assist us in this thy Novena, that we may rightly prepare ourselves to receive the heavenly gifts. We cannot, O Divine Spirit, receive the without thine own aid preventing us. Without thee we cannot please thee. Do thou then, who prepared the heart of Mary to receive the Word Incarnate, vouchsafe so to dispose our hearts that we may happily conceive the blessed flames of thy love. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, The love of Sire and Son, The consubstantial breath of God, The co-eternal One!

Ah! see, how like the Incarnate Word, His blessed self be lowers, To dwell with us invisibly, And make his riches ours.

Most loving Spirit! Mighty God! Sweet must thy presence be, If loss of Jesus can be gain, So long as we have thee!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

y. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

Ry. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Burn, O Lord, with the fire of the Holy Spirit our reins and our hearts, that we may serve thee with a chaste body, and please thee with a clean heart; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon us, and abide with us

alway. Amen.

2D DAY .- FRUITS OF PEACE AND PATTENCE.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost—peace and patience.

Our Father, Hail Mary,

O sweetest and most dear Mother Mary, behold as at thy feet, and having kissed them a thousand times with the lips of our hearts, we hambly implore of thee a favour, more medical for us than all else in the world beside. Since thou art the Spouse of the Holy Ghost, the Dispenser of his treasures, and his sweet Stewardess; since thou hast been enriched beyond all other creatures with his heavenly gifts, obtain for us, as thou didst obtain it for the Apostles, his coming into our hearts; and for this end obtain for us the grace to imitate, so far as in us lies, the examples of thy humility, thy purity, and thy charity. Amen.

O let us fall and worship kim, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c.

y. and Ry. Send forth thy Spirit, &c.

O God, to whom every heart is open and every will speaketh, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the infusion of the Holy Ghost, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily praise thee; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing, &c.

8D DAY,—FRUYIS OF BENIGNITY AND GOODNESS.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost—benignity and goodness.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Most hely Prince of the Apostles, blessed St. Peter, behold us at thy feet, to implore thine aid in obtaining the Holy Spirit. We, indeed, have been unfaithful to our Redeemer, not three times only, as thou wert, but thousands and thousands of times; so that we could not hope that the spotless Dove would vouchsafe to descend into our poor souls, stained with so many sins; yet thine example, blessed Apostle, gives us boddness. Thou disks weep bitterly, and with thy team wert so eleaned as to receive all the gifts of the Divine Paraclete. We too

desire to bewail our sins with bitterest grief like thine, while we humbly implore thine intercession to obtain for us, first of all, cleanness of heart, and then the gift of the Holy Ghost, for which we yearn most earnestly. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c.

y, and Ry. Send forth, &c.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of thy faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us by the same Spirit to think the things that be right, and ever to rejoice in his consolation; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing, &c.

4TH DAY.—FRUITS OF LONG-SUFFERING AND MILDNESS.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost-long-suffering and mildness.

Our Father, Hail Mary,

O blessed and happy Apostles of our Lord, who in the upper room did receive the Holy Spirit with such fulness that ye were sweetly inebriated with divine love; we congratulate you with the most humble and lively affections, and contemplate your graces with a holy envy. We beseech you, by that love which ye bear to the Holy Spirit. who thus filled you with his special benedictions, obtain for us efficacious aid rightly to practise that brotherly concord, that continual prayer, and that tender devotion to Mary, whereby we can obtain, even as ye obtained it. the coming of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c. Y. and P. Send forth, &c.

May the infusion of thy Holy Spirit, O Lord, purify our hearts, and by the inward sprinkling of his gracious

dew make them fertile in all good works; through our Lord Jasus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

5TH DAY.—FRUITS OF FAITH AND MODESTY,

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the hely Apostles in the apper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost—faith and modesty.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

O Eternal Father, how shall we ever bless and praise thee sufficiently, or thank thy goodness as we ought! A thousand times blessed be thine infinite charity, thine infinite providence, and thine infinite mercy, which moved thee to repair our miseries, and to give unto us a gift wherein is contained all the good that proceedeth from thee! Thou hast given us thy Son, who proceedeth from thee as thy Word. Thou hast given us also the Holy Ghost, who proceedeth from thy will, as thine uncreated love. What can we seek for more! and what shall we give unto thee for so great a gift! O Lord, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, of thy elemency to take for thine own all our understanding, all our will, all ourselves, and that little all for all eternity. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c.

V. and By. Send forth, &c.

We beseech thee, O Lord, that the Paraclete, who proceedeth from thee, may enlighten our minds, and, according to the promise of thy Son, may lead us into all truth; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing, &c.

6TH DAY .- FRUITS OF CONTINENCE AND CHASTITY.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper soom at Jarusalem, let us say one Our Father and

one Hail Mary, to obtain, by the merits of Jesus Ascended, the fruits of the Holy Ghost-continence and chastity.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Most holy, most divine Spirit, if there be any souls in the world more needful of thine aid than others, it is surely ours, blinded by our passions, chilled with an obstinate lukewarmness, and defiled by a thousand imperfections. Come then, O Divine Spirit! come and enlighten us; kindle our fervour, and destroy in us all that is displeasing in thy sight. The greater our miseries are, so much the more glorious will be thy triumph over our perversity. Come, and create in us new hearts, which shall have all for God, and nothing for the world. Create in us a clean heart, O God. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c. y. and Ry. Send forth, &c.

Grant unto thy Church, O merciful God, that she, being gathered together in the Holy Spirit, may be in no wise disturbed by the incursions of her enemies; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing, &c.

7TH DAY .- DESCENT OF THE HOLY GHOST UPON MARY AT THE ANNUNCIATION.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, in honour of the descent of the Holy Ghost upon the ever-blessed Mother of God in the Annunciation.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Most Divine Spirit, the Paraclete, we hardly dare to beseech thee to come into our souls, knowing well how sinful and defiled they are. It seems an intolerable boldness to invite God—yea, no less a one than God!—to be a guest in a lodging so unclean. Yet thou vouchsafest graciously to reassure us by that infinite goodness of thine, whereby thou dost dispose with thy prevenient races those hearts which thou condescendest to honour

with thy presence. Thou disappointest not the desires of those who ardently sigh for thee, and are continually waiting for thee. O blessed Spirit, we sigh for thee with the most lively affections. Deign to come into us, and delay not thy gracious coming, while we cease not calling upon thee and beseeching thee to console us with thy long-expected coming. Amen.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c. y. and Ry. Send forth, &c.

We beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to pour into our minds the Holy Spirit, by whose wisdom we were created, and by whose providence we are ruled; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen. May the blessing. &c.

may the blessing, &c.

8TH DAY.—DESCENT OF THE HOLY GHOST UPON JESUS AT THE JORDAN.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, in honour of the descent of the Holy Ghost upon Jesus at the Jordan.

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Most adorable Trinity, we venture with all humility and awe to approach the lofty throne of thine exalted majesty; with our heads prostrate in the dust we adore thee, and give thee endless thanks for the immense blessings which thou hast bestowed on us miserable men. We thank thee, O Eternal Father, and thee, O Divine Son, for the gift which ye have given us of the Holy Ghost; for in giving us your love, who proceedeth from you, ye have given us yourselves. We thank thee, O Holy Ghost, who art at once the gift and the giver of all gifts, and we most earnestly beseech thee to give us thyself. No other gift but thine own self can satisfy our souls, and having thee alone, we shall have all things. But what can we give thee in exchange for so great benefits? O blessed Spirit, vouchsafe of thy mercy to accept for all eternity

all our thoughts, all our affections, and all ourselves.

O let us fall and worship him, &c.

Come, Holy Spirit, &c.

V. and Ry. Send forth, &c.

Grant, we beseech thee, O Lord, that we may burn with that fire of the Holy Ghost which our Lord Jesus Christ sent upon the earth, and which he desired to be vehemently enkindled; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing, &c.

9TH DAY,—TRANSFIGURATION AND ASCENSION OF OUR LORD, AND THE MANIFESTATIONS OF THE HOLY GHOST.

Veni Creator.

Let us prostrate ourselves before the majesty of the Most Holy Trinity, and, uniting our dispositions with those of our Blessed Lady and the holy Apostles in the upper room at Jerusalem, let us say one Our Father and one Hail Mary, in honour of the transfiguration and ascension of our most dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and of the ineffable love of the Holy Ghost in all his manifestations to his creatures,

Our Father, Hail Mary.

Most holy Virgin and exalted Mother of God, who wast above all other creatures disposed to receive the Holy Ghost, and who didst receive him with greater fulness than all others; dispose, we beseech thee, by thy gracious aid, our cold hearts for the approaching solemnity of Pentecost. We fly to thee, most benignant Mother of sinners, that thou mayest obtain for us a lively contrition for our sins; so that, although we cannot receive the Holy Spirit, as innocent, like thyself, yet may we receive him as true penitents, together with those gentile penitents who received him in the upper room. Grant this, most holy Mother, not for our merits, for we have none, but out of thine own exceeding goodness, and that great love which thou bearest to the same blessed Spirit, who hath chosen thee to be his Spouse. Amen.

Olet us fall and worship him, &c.

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ome, Holy Spirit, &c.

y. and Ry. Send forth, &c.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the splendour of thy brightness may shine upon us; and that the light of thy light may, by the illumination of the Holy Spirit, confirm the hearts of those who by grace are regenerate; through our Lord Jesus Christ. In the unity of the same. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon us, and remain with us alway.

Amen.

The Octabe of the Holy Spirit.

1st Day: Feast of Pentecost.—For the Gart of Fear.

Sing the Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3, p. 437.1

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the seraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of thy holy fear, that it may restrain us from relapsing again into those sins, for which we now implore thy pardon with all sincerity. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory three times.

Sing Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication.

Most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, Father of the poor, Consoler of the afflicted, Light of hearts, and Sanctifier of souls, look upon us who lie prostrate in thy presence, adoring thee with the profoundest worship. A thousand times we bless thee, and with the scraphim before thy throne we cry Sanctus, sanctus! We firmly

¹ The versions, Hymns, No. 13 or 48, may be used if preferred.

believe that thou art eternal God, consubstantial with the Father and the Son. We hope in thy goodness, to save and sanctify our souls. We love thee, O divine love, with all our affections, and above all created things; for thou art infinite goodness, and alone worthy of all love. How ungrateful have we been towards thee! how deaf to thy holy inspirations! how often have we offended thee by actual sins! O blessed Spirit, we beg pardon of thee with tears in our eyes, and it is our greatest unhappiness to think that we have ever offended thee, our chief good. Vouchsafe in thy pity to accept the offering of our cold hearts, and to wound them with a ray of thy light and with a spark of thy holy fire. O thou who didst fill the soul of the most holy Mary with immense graces, and didst inflame with heavenly zeal the hearts of the Apostles, kindle in our poor hearts the fervour of thy love. Thou art the Divine Spirit; strengthen us against all evil spirits. Thou art fire; O light up thy holy love in our hearts. Thou art light; illuminate our minds with the knowledge of eternal things. Thou art a dove; grant to us simplicity of manners. Thou art a gentle wind: dissipate the stormy gusts of our evil passions. Thou art a tongue; teach our tongues to be alway blessing thee. Thou art a cloud; bide us beneath the shadow of thy protection. Thou art the giver of all heavenly gifts: animate us, we beseech thee, with thy charity, direct us by thy goodness, and save us by thy mercy, that we may always bless thee, praise thee, and most fervently love thee. on earth in time, and then in heaven for all eternity. Amen.

v. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

Ry. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

♥. Lord, hear our prayer.

Ry. And let our cry come unto thee.

O God, who dost infuse into the hearts of thy faithful the gifts of charity by the grace of the Holy Spirit, grant, we beseech thee, to thy servants health of mind and body, that they may love thee with all their strength, and with a perfect love do such things as are pleasing in thy sight; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

May the Divine assistance remain with us always; and may the souls of the faithful through the mercy of God

rest in peace. Amen.

2D DAY: WHIT-MONDAY.—FOR THE GIFT OF PIETY.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as rue God, together with the Father and the Son. We blees thee with the benedictions of the angels and the scraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of piety, that for the future we may serve thee more fervently, follow thy holy inspirations more promptly, and observe thy divine commandments more exactly. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

3D DAY: WHIT-TUESDAY.—FOR THE GIFT OF SOIENCE.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the scraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of science, that we may have a right knowledge of divine things, and by the light of thy holy teaching may walk along the true road of our eternal salvation. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

4TH DAY.—FOR THE GIFT OF FORTITUDE.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the seraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of fortitude, by which we may generously overcome all the designs of the devil, and all the dangers of the world, and every thing which might hinder the salvation of our souls. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

5TH DAY .- FOR THE GIFT OF COUNSEL.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the seraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of counsel, that we may know how to choose that which is most expedient for our spiritual profit, and to detect all the snares and deceits of the enemy of souls. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

6TH DAY .- FOR THE GIFT OF UNDERSTANDING.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Hely Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the scraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of understanding, that we may be able to penetrate the divine mysteries, and by the contemplation of heavenly things detach our thoughts and affections from all the vanities of this miserable world. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte, v. 4 and 5.

Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

7TH DAY .- FOR THE GIFT OF WISDOM.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 1-3.

O most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, we adore thee as true God, together with the Father and the Son. We bless thee with the benedictions of the angels and the scraphim. We offer thee our whole hearts, and give thee most fervent thanks for all the good which thou hast done, and art daily doing, to the world. Thou art the giver of all supernatural gifts, and thou didst fill with immense graces the soul of Mary, the great Mother of God. We beseech thee also to visit us with thy grace and with thy love, and especially to grant us the gift of wisdom, that we may know how to direct all our actions to God, as our true and last end, that, loving him and serving him, as we ought, in this life, we may enjoy him eternally in the life to come. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, three Glories.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, v. 4 and 5. Supplication, Versicles, Collect, as at p. 529.

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TRINITY SUNDAY.

Hymn.

My God, how wonderful thou art, Hymns, No. 3.

A doration.

Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity! We will confess to him, for he hath dealt mercifully with us. O Lord, our Lord, how admirable is thy name in the whole earth! Blessed art thou, O Lord, who broodest upon the deeps, and sittest upon the cherubim. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven, and throughout all ages to be praised. Thee, O God, the unbegotten Father, thee the only-begotten Son, thee the Holy Spirit the Paraclete, holy and undivided Trinity, do we confess and praise and bless, for thou art great and doest wonders: thou art God alone. To thee be praise, to thee glory, to thee thanksgiving, for everlasting ages, O blessed Trinity. Blessed be God the Father, blessed be God the Son, blessed be God the Holy Ghost; for he hath dealt mercifully with us. We invoke thee, we praise thee, we adore thee, 0 blessed Trinity! Que hope, our salvation, our homour, o blessed Trinity! Deliver us, sawe us, quicken us, O blessed Trinity! The Father is charity, the Son grace, the Holy Spirit communication, O blessed Trinity! The Father is true, the Son is truth, the Holy Ghost is truth, O blessed Trinity! The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is one substance, O blessed Trinity & Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven, and through all ages to be Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Amen.

Let us unite ourselves with the nine choirs of Angels, and with the blessed saints and holy souls who in lifetime had most devotion to the adorable mystery of the ever-blessed Trinity, and say one Our Father, and one Hail Mary, and three Glories, in honour of the trinity of persons and the unity of God.

Our Father, Heil Mary, Glery, three times.

Most merciful and adorable Trinity, with our lips, with our hearts, with all our strength, we exalt thee, we bless thee, we worship thee. We give endless thanks unto thee for thy clemency and thy goodness, and we sing to thee the hymn of thy glory, Holy, holy, holy. We beseech thee to enter into our souls, and make them temples worthy of thy Majesty. We pour forth our humblest supplications to the eternal Father, to the divine Son, and to the Holy Spirit, beseeching thee, O most holy Trinity, to remove from us all that is evil, and to establish in our souls all the virtues of the Gospel. Keep us, O most blessed Trinity, for we are the work of thy hands; keep us, for we hope in thee, and our only confidence is in the infinity of thy mercy. Keep us, here and every where, within and without, now and for ever. O Lord God omnipotent, three and one! defender and protector of those that trust in thee, and without whom there is no salvation, help us, we beseech thee. Thou art the true God, and there is no God but thee, neither in heaven, non on earth, nor in the deeps: and thou alone workest wonderful and inscrutable things, of which there is no number. O most majestic Trinity, to thee belongeth alf glory, al honour, all hymnes of praise. To thee the angels sing their songs of jubilee, with all the heavens and the powers that are therein. All creatures adore and bless thee as their Creator, Lord, and King. Every spirit exalteth thee, O holy and undivided Trinity: and we the humblest of the creatures, joining in the adorations of all thine elect, invoke, revere, adore thee now and for everyone. Amen.

Humn.

Have mercy on us, God most high, Hymns, No. 1.

▼. Lord, hear our prayer.

Ry. And let our cry come unto thes.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto

thy servants in the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Majesty to adore the unity; grant, we beseech thee, that by our firmness in the same faith, we may ever be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, descend upon us and remain

with us alway. Amen.

SECOND DAY.

My God, how wonderful thou art, No. 3.

Adoration, as at p. 534.

Let us unite ourselves with the nine choirs of Angels, and with the blessed saints and holy souls who in lifetime had most devotion to the adorable mystery of the ever-blessed Trinity, and say one Our Father, and one Hail Mary, and three Glories, in honour of the trinity of persons and the unity of God. Our Father, &c.

To the Eternal Father.

O eternal and unbegotten Father, to whom all prayer riseth, O Lord God, first person of the most adorable Trinity, have mercy upon us vile sinners, have mercy upon all thy creatures. We offer to thee, O eternal Father, thy beloved Son Jesus as a full expiation for all our sins and the sins of the whole world, in union with that unspeakable charity wherewith thou didst vouchsafe to send him to be our Saviour. We offer thee his most holy incarnation, life, passion, and death, his incomparable virtues, and all he did or suffered for us. We offer thee his toils, cares, pains, and precious blood, with the merits of his most holy Virgin Mother and all his Saints. Help us, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, through this thy Son, in the virtue of the Holy Ghost. Be with us miserable sinners, and pitifully recall us to the way of salvation. Give to all the living thy pardon and grace; and to the faithful departed rest and light eternal. Amen.

Have mercy on us, God most high, No. 1.

Versicles, Collect, &c. as at p. 535.

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THIRD DAY.

My God, how wonderful thou art, No. 3.

Adoration, as at p. 534.

Let us unite ourselves with the nine choirs of Angels, and with the blessed saints and hely souls, who in lifetime had most devotion to the adorable mystery of the ever-blessed Trinity, and say one Our Father, and one Hail Mary, and three Glories, in honour of the trinity of persons and the unity of God. Our Father &c.

To the Eternal Son.

O eternal and only-begotten Son, second person of the most holy Trinity, and our most loving Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who didst come down from heaven to convert the sinners, to redeem the slaves, to set free the prisoners, to console the afflicted, to unite the scattered, and to bring into the right way all who had gone astray, vouchsafe to us thy most abundant charity. Thou hast received from the eternal Father the human race for thy charge; keep us, we beseech thee, from all our enemies, visible and invisible. Protect and deliver us, as thou didst deliver Peter from shipwreck and Paul from chains. Assist us, O infinite Wisdom; defend us, O uncreated Strength. We beseech thee, by thy goodness, by thine immensity, by thy divinity, by thine omnipotence, give unto us a most loving devotion to thine unspeakable dignity, as the eternal Word. Guard us, Ogreat Shepherd of men; save us, O Saviour of the universe; we implore it of thee by thy Nativity, by thy bitter Passion, by thy painful Agony, by the nails, the lance, the thorns, the scourges, the vinegar and gall, by the words thou spakest on the Cross, by all the weariness and toil which thou didst bear in life as well as death. Deliver us from all evils of soul and body, past, present, or to come, temporal and eternal, by the merits of thy most precious blood, by thy blessed Resurrection, by thy marvellous Ascension, and by thy glory at the right hand of the eternal Father, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all praise, blessing, and adoration, through everlasting ages. Amen.

Have mercy on us, God most high, No. 1.

Versicles, Cellect, &c. as at p. 585.

FOURTH DAY.

My God, how wonderful thou art, No. 3.

Adoration, as at p. 534.

Let us unite ourselves with the nine choirs of Angels, and with the blessed saints and holy souls who in lifetime had most devotion to the adorable mystery of the ever-blessed Trinity, and say one Our Father, and one Hail Mary, and three Glories, in honour of the trinity of persons and the unity of God. Our Father, &c.

To the Eternal Spirit.

O eternal Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son, third person of the adorable Trinity, eternal love of the Father and the Son, sweet fire of the Seraphim and Cherubim, vouchsafe to descend into our hearts, and to illuminate them with thy splendour. Thou art the true light of every soul, the life and strength of every heart. Thou gavest unto the Apostles the knowledge of those truths which they preached unto the world. Thou gavest them the zeal whereby they propagated the faith. It was from thee the martyrs drew that invincible constancy to despise the most fearful torments, and that holy liberty of speech to rebuke the proudest tyrants. Thou didst endow the Prophets with the knowledge of wonderful secrets, and didst lay in the Patriarchs the foundations of the Catholic faith. From thee the Saints obtained all good will and all good deeds, with all their other graces, gifts, and prerogatives, which flowed from thine immense goodness. Come down, O Lord, and quicken us, and melt the ice of our hearts with thy most ardent charity. Come, Fount of grace and Source of heavenly flames, purify us and set us on fire with love, that we may die to self and live to thee alone. Dissipate in us every other spirit which is alien to thee, or retards thy coming. Take away all that is displeasing to thee; take away all that is not thee. Enrich us with thy gifts; illumine us with thy light; quicken our understandings; kindle our wills; wash away what is unclean, and heal what is infirm. Strengthen our weakness; instruct our ignorance; heat our lukewarmness; fertilise our barrenness; nourish us with thy sweetness, and console us with thy tenderness. Thou art our comfort and our hope; thou art our lightheartedness and our consolation; thou art our strength

and our science, the sanctification of our hearts, the pardon of our sins, and the death of our evil habits. Thou art the life and food of every virtue. Visit us in thy benignity, most merciful Paraclete; take possession of our inmost affections, O divine love, and leave no part in us which is not penetrated, possessed, and sanctified by thee. Amen.

Have mercy on us, God most high, No. 1.

Versicles, Collect, &c. as at p. 535.

Offerings

TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY FOR A GOOD DEATH.

Let us offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the most precious Blood which he shed for us in the garden; and let us beseech the Divine Majesty through his merits to pardon our sins.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

Let us offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the most painful death he suffered for us upon the Cross; and let us beseech the Divine Majesty through his merits to grant to us the remission of the pains due to our sins. Our Father, &c.

Let us offer to the Most Holy Trinity the merits of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the ineffable charity with which he descended from heaven to earth to take human flesh, to suffer and to die for us upon the Cross; and let us beseech the Divine Majesty through his merits to make our souls after death partakers of the glory of heaven. Our Father, &c.

Indulgences: 100 days each time; a plenary once a month.

HYMNS ON THE HO	LY	TRIN	ITY	_		No.
Have mercy on us, God most high				•		ĩ
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May.

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

The Month of Mary.

Indulgences for the observance of the Month of Mary: 300 days each day; Plenary once in the month. Both applicable to the Dead.

Hymn.1

1.

O Flower of Grace! divinest Flower,— God's light thy life, God's love thy dawer,— That all alone with virgin ray Dost make in Heaven eternal May; Sweet falls the periess dignity Of God's eternal choice on thee.

> Mother degrest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Blissful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Seraphim, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

2

Choice Flower! that bloomest on the breast Of Jesus, which is now thy rest, As thine was once the chosen bed Of his dear Heart and sacred Head; O Mary, sweet it is to see Thy Son's creation graced by thee.

Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Bilssful Mother! bilssful Maiden!

F Any of the other Hymns given at p. 552 may be used, varying it each evening.

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Cherubim, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

3

O queenly Flower! enthroned above, The trophy of Almighty love; Ah me! how he hath hung thee round With all love-tokens that abound With God's own light beyond the reach Of angel-song or mortal speech!

Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Blissful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Thrones, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

4

O Flower of God! divinest Flower, Elected for his inmost bower; Where angels come not, there art thou, A crown of glory on thy brow; While far below, all bright and brave, Their gleamy palms the ransomed wave.

> Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Blissful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Dominations, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

Κ.

Oh, bless thee for thy beauty, then, Delight of angels, trust of men? A scoptre unto thee is given, Queen of the Sacred Heart, in Heaven, Like his who made—O blest decree!— Thee for himself, all else for thee.

Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Brissfu! Mother! blissfu! Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Virtues, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glery.

3.

O godliker creature! night to God; In whom the Ehernal Word abode; The mirror of God's beauty thou; On thee his dread perfections show so palpably, men's hearts might faint With an exceeding ravishment.

Mother dearest! Mother fairest!
Maiden purest! Maiden rarest!
Help of earth and joy of Heaven!
Love and praise to thee be given,
Bliesful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Powers, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

7..

Yet thou didst bloom on earth at first, In meckness proved, in sorrow nursed: And Heaven must own its debt to earth, Sweet Flower! for thy surpassing worth; And angels, for their Queen's dear sake, Our road to these more smooth shall make.

Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Bliasful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed cheir of Principalities, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

R.

O Help of Christians! marcy-laden; O blissful Mother! blissful Maiden! O Sinless! were it not for thee. There were in faith no liberty To hold that God could stoop se low, Or love his sinful creatures so.

> Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Love and praise to thee be given, Bliastal Mother! blisstul Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Archangels, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gifts and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

Q

O Mary I when we think of thee, Our hearts grow light as light can be; For thou hast felt as we have felt, And thou hast knelt as we have knelt; And so it is, that utterly, Mother of God, we trust in thee.

Mother dearest! Mother fairest! Maiden purest! Maiden rarest! Help of earth and joy of Heaven! Toye and praise to thee he given

Love and praise to thee be given, Blissful Mother! blissful Maiden!

Let us unite our affections with the blessed choir of Angels, and say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in thanksgiving to the Most Holy Trinity for all the gift and graces bestowed upon our dear Mother, the Queen of Angels.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

y. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

By. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

y. Remember thy congregation.

By. Which thau hast possessed from the beginning.

y. Lord, hear my prayer.

Ry. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

(Prayer used by the Ven. Father Giovanni Tommaso Eustachio, of the Naples Oratory.)

O my Lady, Holy Mary, Queen of Perseverance, To thee and to thy blessed charge And special keeping, And into the bosom of thy mercy,

For this day and every day, and for the hour of my death,

I commend myself, body and soul:
My every hope and every joy,
My every trouble and every sorrow,
My life and my life's end, I commit to thee,
That by virtue of thy most holy intercession,
And by thy merits,
All that I have may be ordered,
All that I do disposed

All that I have may be ordered All that I do disposed, According to thy will And that of thy Son. Amen.

Various Prayers to the Most Blessed Virgin.

O most Holy Virgin, Queen of Heaven and Mistress of the Universe, I acknowledge and worship thee as the Daughter of the Eternal Father, as the Mother of the Eternal Son, and as the loving Spouse of the Holy Spirit. Prostrate at the feet of thy august majesty, I beseech thee, by that divine charity with which thou wast filled to overflowing at thy assumption into Heaven, mercifully to take me under thy most powerful and secure protection;

and to receive me into that fortunate company of thy happy servants whom thou bearest and cherishest in thy virginal bosom. Condescend, O my Mother and most gentle Lady, to accept of this miserable heart of mine; accept my memory, my will, my faculties, my senses, both exterior and interior; accept my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my hands, and my feet; regulate them in conformity to the will of thy Divine Son, and direct them all to his infinite glory. By that wisdom with which thy beloved Son enriched thee, obtain for me, I pray and beseech thee, light to know myself, to know my own nothingness, and especially to know my sins, that I may hate and detest them; obtain for me also light to perceive the snares of my infernal enemy and his assaults, whether they be hidden or manifest; and especially, O most merciful Mother, obtain for me the grace of . . . [Here insert the grace you stand most particularly in need of].

Repeat three times:

Virgin of all virgins!
To thy shelter take us;
Gentlest of the gentle!
Chaste and gentle make us.

Pardon, we beseech thee, O Lord, the sins of thy servants; that we, who by our own actions are unable to please thee, may, through the intercession of the Mother of our Lord, thy Son, obtain eternal salvation; through the same Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

May the almighty and merciful Lord, Father, Son, and

Holy Ghost, bless us and keep us. Amen.

Indulgences for the above prayers: 300 days once a day, and a plenary indulgence once a month, with the usual conditions, for those who have said them daily through the month.

PRAYERS TO BE USED ON OCCASION OF PAYING A VISIT TO AN ALTAR OR IMAGE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN DURING THE MONTH OF MAY, OR AT OTHER TIMES.

Prayer for obtaining the Love of Mary.

O Mary, thou art the purest, the fairest, the holiest of creatures. Oh, that all men would acknowledge and love thee as thou deservest! But I rejoice in the thought of the great number of the just whose hearts are inflamed

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with the love of thee. O amiable Queen, I also, unworthy as I am, I also dove thee; but I love thee too little: I desire to love thee more tenderly and more generously, for to love thee is one of the marks of predestination. I ask thee not for the good things of the world, its nickes, its honours, or its pleasures; I besech thee to obtain for one the grace to love thy Son with all the fervour of my neart, and to consecrate myself entirely to his honour and thine. O Mary, O my Mother, cease not to pray for me, until thou seest me secure of possessing may God, of leving him and loving thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Aspiration.

Oh, that I had the heart of all the angels and all the saints, to love Mary as they love her! Oh, that I had at my disposal the life of all mankind, that I might conserate it whole and entire to the glory and the service of this most amiable Mother! Oh, that I could engrave on all hearts and on all lips the lovely name of Mary, that name so powerful, which constitutes the delight, the security, the happiness of all who utter it with a sweet confidence and a holy joy!

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who have

recourse to thee.

Prayer to our Lady of Peace.

O holy Virgin, my august Queen, obtain for me from thy divine Son the peace which he left as a heritage to his disciples. The world knows it not; it resides only in souls that are sanctified by grace. Obtain for me, I be seech thee, grace to maintain this peace with God, by my fidelity in keeping his law; with my superiors, by my submission, obedience, and respect; with my equals, by meekness, patience, and charity; with myself, by the practice of all virtues: so that it may be peured forth also upon my relations, friends, and all mankind. Obtain for me grace to live on earth in the peace of imnocence, that at the last I may be found worthy of that ineffable peace which the blessed enjoy in heaven. Amen.

Prayer to our Lady of Consolation.

O Mary, most sweet, most amiable, and most glorisus, thy name cannot be uttered in the secret of the heart

without inflaming it with thy love; and they who love thee cannot think of thee without feeling themselves animated to love thee more and more, and putting all their confidence in thee. O Mary, O my Mother, thou seest my trouble, look upon me with an eye of pity; thou art the consolation of all who call upon thee in affliction, be thou, then, mine. Hearken to the sighs, graciously hear the prayers of my poor heart; forsake me not, but sup-port me in affliction, and strengthen me in danger. Thou art the heavenly dew that sweetenest our sorrows; O Mother of consolation, I pray thee, sweeten mine; give peace to my soul, grant me all that thou knowest I desire of thee; obtain for me, from thy divine Son, the pardon of all my sins, the grace to sin no more, the blessedness to imitate thy virtues all the rest of my life, and finally a holy and a happy death. At that tremendous hour, be thou my protectress and my consolation. I beseech thee: O my tender Mother, come and receive my soul, to present it at the tribunal of the sovereign Judge, and to obtain for me a favourable sentence. I deserve not this at thy hands; but I am thy child. I love thee, and I desire to make thee loved by all hearts. Amen,

An Act of Reparation to the Holy Virgin.

How great is any grief, O most holy Virgin Mary, when I consider the injuries which thou receivest every day on the part of men! How can there be found hearts so hard and impious as to despise thee, who art worthy of the respect and love of angels and men! And among the very children of the Church, thine own children, there are some, alas, who feel nothing but coldness and indifference for thee; who take no pains to testify their gratitude and devotion towards thee; who never honour thee, or invoke thy intercession, or seek to gain thy protection. And how many times have I myself plunged into thy heart the two-edged sword! O Mother of mercy, I should never dare to lift up my eyes to thee, wert thou not the advocate of sinners. Oppressed with the burden of my infidelities, I come to ask forgiveness at thy feet, for myself and for all mankind. I acknowledge thy glory to be above that of all creatures; I honour, with the Church, thy immaculate Conception and thy glorious Assumption; I believe thy power and all thy perfections to be

proportioned to thy dignity of Mother of God; I acknowledge thee with joy as my advocate, my refuge, and my mother; I will glory all my life in being of the number of thy most devoted children, and it shall be my happiness to win all hearts to thy love. Vouchsafe, O spotless Virgin, to obtain for me grace to imitate thy virtues, and to dwell with thee hereafter in the abode of glory. Amen.

An Act of Consecration to the Holy Virgin. .

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, who, from the first moment of thy conception, wast free from the stain of original sin, I choose thee this day for my queen, my patroness, my advocate with God, and my glorious mother. I am most earnestly resolved, from this day, to persevere in thy worship, and in promoting thy honour, during the whole course of my life; I will never say any thing, nor do any thing, nor suffer any who belong to me to offer, in their conversation or their actions, the slightest injury to the reverence and homage which are due to thee by a thousand titles. Vouchsafe, then, I beseech thee, O august Queen of heaven and earth, to admit mo to-day into thy service for ever, and to grant me thy holy protection every moment of my life. Above all, O most sacred Mother of my Saviour, I beseech thee not to abandon me at the hour of my death. Amen.

A Prayer for Perseverance in Devotion to the Blessed Virgin.

O God, who hast placed us under the patronage of the most holy Mother of thy Son Jesus, and dost excite us to strive for the prize of our high calling; come into our hearts, and pour down upon us thy purifying grace, whereby we may persevere in thy service, and in the service of the same most holy Virgin Mary; so that, fortified by so powerful a protection, we may perform those good desires which thou hast put into our hearts, and having effectually accomplished all that was set before us to do, may attain those things which thou hast been pleased to promise to those that abide in thee. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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A Way of asking our Lady's Blessing.

Come, O my soul, prostrate thyself at the feet of Mary thy Mother, and depart not till she hath blessed thee. O blessed of God, and enriched with all blessings, in thy mercy and kindness bless my afflicted soul, and obtain for me, from thy beloved Son, abundant grace; that I may so faithfully serve both him and thee in this world, that I may be made pantaker of eternal glory. Amen.

An Act of filial Reverence to Mary.

Pope Leo XII. granted, in perpetuity, to all the faithful who should recite the three following prayers, together with three "Hail Marys," to ask the Blessed Virgin's assistance in the practice of Christian virtues, and especially the holy virtue of purity: (1) an indulgence of 100 days each time they are said; (2) a plenary indulgence, once a month, on reciting them every day, with the usual conditions. These indulgences are applicable to the souls in purgatory.

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I venerate thee with all my heart, O most holy Virgin, as the Daughter of the Father of heaven; and I consecrate to thee my soul, with all its powers. Hail Mary!

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I venerate thee with all my heart, O most holy Virgin, as the Mother of the only Son of God; and I consecrate to thee my body, with all its senses. Hail Mary!

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I venerate thee with all my heart, O most holy Virgin, as the beloved Spouse of the Holy Ghost; and I consecrate to thee my heart, with all its affections: obtain for me of the Holy Trinity the graces necessary for my salvation. Hail Mary!

Hymn on the above, No. 221.

Any of the foregoing prayers may be used for a Novena, or Month-of-May exercise, adding a hymn from the table, p. 552.

The Confraternity of our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel:

COMMONLY CALLED THE SCAPULAR.

The Scapular, or little habit of the most holy Virgin, was given by our Blessed Lady herself to St. Simon Stock, General of the Carmelites, at Cambridge, 16th July 1251, as a pledge

of her love and patronage.

The principal indulgences attached to this Confraternity are: 1. A plenary indulgence (with the usual conditions) on the day of admission, the Feast of our Lady of Mount Carmel, or any day within the octave, and at the hour of death, on invoking the holy name of Jesus. 2. An indulgence of five years and five quadragenæ any day in each month, with the usual conditions. 3. An indulgence of three years and three quadragenæ on any feast of the Blessed Virgin, with the usual conditions. 4. An indulgence of 300 days for abstaining from flesh meat on Wednesdays. 5. An indulgence of 40 days, once a day, for saying seven "Our Fathers" and seven "Hail Marys," in honour of the seven joys of the Blessed Virgin; viz. those which she had at the Annunciation of the Angel, the Visitation, the Nativity, the Adoration by the Magi, the Finding of Jesus in the Temple, the Resurrection, and the Assumption. 6. An indulgence of 100 days for reciting the office of the Blessed Virgin; also for assisting at a funeral, and for attending Mass, and other pious offices, in the chapel of the Scapulary; for shewing hospitality to the poor, or performing any other work of charity. 7. An indulgence of five years and five quadragence for accompanying the holy Viaticum when carried to the sick, and praying for them.

All these indulgences are applicable to the souls in purga-

tory.

To gain these indulgences, it is necessary, 1. To be admitted into the Confraternity by a priest who has faculties 2. To wear the Scapular night and day.1 for so doing. Those who, from any cause, have neglected to wear it, may resume it themselves, and enjoy anew all the privileges of the Confraternity.

No particular devotions are prescribed; but it is customary to recite the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, or to say seven

"Our Fathers," "Hail Marys," and "Glories."
Pope John XXII. in his Bulla Sabbatina, declares that the Blessed Virgin appeared to him while he was a Cardinal,

"heir names ought also to be inscribed in the Register of Members.

and promised that, on the Saturday after the death of any of her religious of the Order of Mount Carmel, and of any of the members of her Confraternity of the Scapular, she would

procure their deliverance from purgatory.

To gain the indulgences granted by this bull, it is necessary for the members of the Confraternity, 1. To observe chastity, according to their state. 2. To recite every day the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin, or the Canonical Office, if they are able. 3. If they are not able to recite either of these offices, to observe the fasts of the Church, and to abstain from flesh-meat every Wednesday throughout the year, except Christmas-day. These two latter conditions may be commuted by a confessor who has faculties for so doing.

Prayer for Members.

I beseech thee, O most illustrious Patroness of Carmel, my good and amiable mother, by the blood of thy Son shed for me, vouchsafe to receive me as thy child, and thy perpetual servant; assist me in all my thoughts, my words, and my actions, at all moments of my life, so that all my deeds and all my thoughts may be directed to the praise and glory of God; grant, by thy powerful intercession, that I may have a perfect zeal for thy honour, and that this holy Scapular, which I desire to carry during my whole life as a witness of my dedication to thee, may be a means of preserving me from the dangers of eternal death, and conducting me in safety to everlasting bliss. Amen.

A Prayer for general use in May.

Deus, qui de beatæ Mariæ Virginis utero Verbum tuum, angelo nuntiante, carnem suscipere voluisti; præsta supplicibus tuis, ut qui vere eam Genitricem Dei credimus, ejus apud te intercessionibus adjuvemur. Per eumdem Christum Dominum nostrum,

Amen.

O God, who wast pleased that thy Word, at the message of an angel, should take flesh in the womb of the blessed Virgin Mary; grant to us, thy suppliants, that, as we believe her to be truly the Mother of God, we may be assisted also by her intercessions with thee. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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June.

THE SACRED HEART-CORPUS CHRISTI.

Debotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

THE object of this devotion is the heart of the God Man Christ Jesus. As the heart is the seat of all the affections, so the heart of our Lord is especially proposed to eur devotion, as being the seat and sanctuary of that love wherewith he loved us, and gave himself for us. While, then, we address ourselves to that Sacred Heart, as it is united to the blessed Humanity, and therefore to the divine Person of the Word, we, in an especial and peculiar manner, honour the love which burned therein for man.

The particular intention of this devotion is, to make reparation for the outrages committed against the heart of Jesus during his mortal life; outrages which continue to be committed against him in the adorable Eucharist, which is the Sacrament of his love.

It was for this end that our Lord revealed to Venerable Sister Mary Alacoque, that he wished the festival and devotion of his Sacred Heart to be instituted in the Church. It is related in the life of this holy nun, that, being one day in prayer before the blessed Sacrament, Jesus shewed her his heart surrounded with thorns, surmounted by a cross, and placed upon a throne of fire; and that he said to her: "Behold the heart that has so loved men, and has spared nothing to testify its love for them, even to the consuming of itself for their sake; but, in return, receives nothing from the generality of mankind but dishonour and ingratitude. afflicts me most is, that hearts which treat me thus have been consecrated to me." Our Saviour then bade her use her utmost endeavours to procure the celebration of a particular festival in honour of his divine heart, on the first Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi; and this, for these principal intentions:-1. That Christians might return him thanks for the ineffable gift bestowed upon them in the blessed Euchan

rist. 2. That they might repair, by their homage and adoration, the irreverence and contempt with which he has been treated by sinners in this most holy Sacrament.

3. That they might give him the honour due unto him, but withheld from him in so many churches, where he is so little loved, revered, and adored. He promised to pour out abandantly the riches of his heart on all who should practise this devotion, not only on the feast itself, but on other days when they visited the blessed Sacrament.

Confraternities of the Sacred Heart of Jesus have been established in every part of the Church, and have been enriched by the Holy See with numerous indulgences. The plenary indulgences granted to the associates (with the usual conditions*) are as follows:-1: On the slay of admission. 2. On the feast of the Sacred Heart. 3. The first Friday or the first Sunday in each month. 4. On any one day in each month, at choice. 5. At the hour of death, on condition of invoking (at least mentally) the hely name of Jesus. 6. On Christmas-day, Maundy-Thursday, Easter-day, and Ascension-day. 7. On the feasts of the Conception, Nativity, Annunciation, Purification, and Assamption of the Blessed Virgin; on the feast of All Saints, All Souls-day, and on the feasts of St. Peter and St. Paul, St. Joseph, and St. John the Evangelist. 8. On the six Fridays, or the six Sundays, preceding the feast of the Sacred Heart, according as it is celebrated on the Friday or on the Sunday after the feast of Corpus Christi. 9. On the feast of St. Gregory the Great.

The partial indulgences are:—1. Thirty years and their quadragence, on the three slays after Christmas-day; on the feasts of the Circumcinion and the Epiphany; the Sundays of Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima; Good-Friday, and Holy-Satudday; every day daring the octave of Easter; on Low-Sunday, the feast of St. Mark, and the Rogation-days; and on Whit-Sunday, and during its octave. 2. Twenty years and their quadragence, on Palm-Sunday. 3. Fifteen years and their quadragence, on Ash-Wednesday; the 4th

^{* 1.} To gain the plemary indulgenous Mos. 6 and 7, as well as the partial indulgenous 1, 2, 5, 4, and 5, it is necessary to jety a visit to the chapel of the Confraternity, or to perform some other work of piety enjoined by a comessor, not as a sacramental penance, but at a condition of the indulgenos. 2. To main the piemary indulgenos Moi-8, and the partial indulgence No. 6, the increasery to wrist a church crohapel of the Confraternity in which is celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart

Sunday of Leut, the 3d Sunday of Advent; on the Eve, and at the Midnight and Aurora Masses of Christmes. 4. Ten years and their quadragence, on the 1st, 2d, and 4th Sundays of Advent; every day in Lent (except those mentioned above), the Vigil of Pentecost, and the three days of the Emberweeks. 5. Seven years and their quadragena, on the Visitation and Presentation of the Blessed Virgin, and on the feasts of the Apostles mentioned above. 6. The same on every day of the novena preceding the feast of the Sacred Heart. 7. Seven years and their quadragenæ, on the four Sundays immediately preceding that feast. 8. The same, at every visit to a picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, in any church or chapel where it is exposed to public veneration; the conditions being contrition and prayers for the Pope's intentions. 9. Sixty days for every work of piety performed by the members.

These indulgences are applicable to the souls in purgatory. All that is required of the associates, in order to obtain the privileges attached to the confraternity (after admission by a duly authorised priest), is to say every day a Pater, an Ave, and a Credo, with the following aspiration:

O most sweet Heart of Jesus, make me to love thee more and more!

An Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus; for the use of the Associates in particular.

O amiable Jesus, only Son of the living God, who, by an incomprehensible effect of thy love, wast pleased to be made man, to be born in a stable, to live amidst labours, to die upon a cross, and to leave us, as a perpetual pledge of thy tenderness, thy own body and blood for the nourishment of our souls, in the ineffable Sacrament of the Eucharist; thou beholdest at thy feet a criminal covered with confusion, who comes, in the spirit of union with all the associates in the adoration of thy divine Heart, humbly to confess his ingratitude, his iniquities, and those of all other men, that he may make reperation for them as far as in him lies.

Alss, O most amiable Jesus, we have sinned against Heaven, and before thee. The injuries, the outrages which the Bacreti Heart has received from the ingratitude

and the malice of men, far surpass in number the sters of heaven, the drops of water, the grains of the sand of the sea. What hath it not suffered on our part in the course of thy sacred life, in thy bitter Passion, and from the moment that thou hast dwelt amongst us in the Sacrament of thy love! Oh, with how much bitterness. opprobrium, and grief have we deluged thy divine Heart! Pardon! mercy! O adorable Heart of Jesus; mercy for me! mercy for all men, and for England in particular!

I detest, with all the sincerity of my soul, and with the most profound and bitter grief, every thing which hath ever offended thee in myself or in others; I detest it for the love thou deservest, and which is supremely due unto thee. I come to make thee an honourable reparation, with the deepest humiliation, and the most absolute annihilation of myself. Oh, that I could efface with my tears, and wash away with all my blood, the injuries which we have done unto thee. Oh, that I could repay thee, by my repentance, by my works, and by my love, all the glory, honour, and satisfaction of which thou hast been robbed by the injuries and outrages that have been committed against thee! Accept at least the earnest desire with which thou inspirest me.

Vouchsafe, O Heart infinitely rich in mercy, to light again in my heart and that of all men, the sacred fire which thou camest to kindle upon the earth. Let it purify them, let it inflame them, let it make of them one heart with thy Heart. Pour down, I beseech thee, thy most precious and abundant benedictions on thy holy Church, and those who govern it; on this diocese, on this town, and on all those who are united with us by the bonds of this association. O Heart of Jesus, live, reign in all hearts, for time and for eternity. Amen.

A short Act of Consecration.

I engage myself with all my heart, for all my life, to the confederation of love and of reparation, formed in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I renew the sacred alliance which I contracted with him in holy baptism, and renouncing Saten anew, his pomps, and all his Digitized by Google

works, I devote to the adorable Heart of my divine Master, and of his most holy Mother, all that I am and all that I have, for time and for eternity. Amen.

Meditation on the Love of our Lord Jesus.

Oh, that we understood the love of our Lord Jesus towards us! So tenderly has he loved us, that if all the men, all the angels, and all the saints, were to unite with all their strength, they could not attain to the thou-sandth part of the love our Lord Jesus bears towards us. He loves us infinitely more than we love ourselves; he loves us to excess. For what greater love, than that God should die for us, his own greatures! He has loved us to the end. (St. John xiii, 1.) There has not been a moment from eternity in which God has not loved us, and thought of us, one by one. "I have loved thee with an everlasting love." He afterwards became man for the love of us; and for our sake chose a life of suffering, and the cruel death of the cross. Hence, after sacrificing all to shew his love for us, he has loved us more than his own honour, repose, and life. Oh, excess of love, at which even the angels are astonished! Yet this is not enough; for, through his exceeding love, he is further pleased to stay with us in the blessed Sacra-ment of the altar; there he abides, motionless, and, as it were, senseless; he appears to do nothing but to love men. Love induces a desire of the constant presence of the object beloved. Hence our Lord Jesus is pleased to remain constantly with us in the blessed Sacrament. It seemed to him too little to stay with men three-andthirty years on earth; hence he is pleased to tarry with them, in the blessed Sacrament, from age to age. It is true that while on earth he completed the work of redemption; why, then, should he continue to remain with us? Surely, it is to prove his exceeding love for us; he cannot endure to separate himself from us, for his "delights are with the sons of men." (Prov. viii.) This love leads him to make himself the food of our souls, in order to unite himself with us, and make our hearts and his Heart one and the same. "He that cateth my

flesh and drinketh my blood abideth in me, and I in him." (John vi.) Oh, excess of divine love! A servant of God used to say: "My amazement about the mystery of the blessed Eucharist is not, how bread becomes flesh, or how our Lord Jesus is in many places at once, and confined within so small a compass; for all things are possible with God. But this is my wonder, how Jesus loved men so, as to become his food; when I think hereof, I own I am confounded, and have but to say that it is a truth of faith passing my comprehension. O love of Jesus, make men know you, make them love you!"

An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

To thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, do I devote and offer up my life, my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings. May my whole being be no longer employed but in loving, serving, and glorifying thee. O Sacred Heart, be thou henceforth the sole object of my love, the protector of my life, the pledge of my salvation, and my refuge at the hour of my death. Justify me, O blessed and adorable Heart, at the bar of divine justice, and screen me from the anger which my sins deserve. Imprint thyself like a divine seal on my heart, that I may never be separated from thee. May my name also be ever emgraven upon thee, and may I ever be consecrated to thy glory, ever burning with the flames of thy love, and entirely penetrated with it for all eternity. This is all my desire, to live in thee. One thing have I sought of the Lord, and this will I seek, that I may dwell in the Heart of my Lord all the days of my life. Amen.

A Prayer to the Eternal Father.

O eternal Father, let me offer up unto thy mercy the Sacred Heart of thy well-beloved Son, even as he offered himself up a sacrifice to thy justice.

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Accept, on my behalf, all the thoughts, sentiments, affections, motions, and all the actions of this Secred Heart; they are mine, because it was immolated for me;

they are mine, because for the future I am resolved to admit nothing into my heart but what both place in thine. Receive, then, O God, the merits of this Sacred Heart in satisfaction for my sins, and in thanksgiving for all the benefits conferred upon me. Receive them, O Lord, as so many motives for granting my petitions. Give me, O Lord, for their sake, all the graces I need, but especially the gift of final perseverance. Receive them as so many acts of love, adoration, and praise, which I now offer to thy divine majesty. This Sacred Heart, this Heart alone, can love, honour, and glorify thee as thou deservest. Amen.

The faithful are invited to make, at fixed times in the day, according to their opportunities, one or more of the following aspirations of love to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I love thee, and desire to love thee more and more!

O Heart of Jesus, burning with love of us, inflame our hearts with the love of thee!

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, mayest thou be known, loved, and alored throughout all the world?

O Heart of my dear Redeemer, may the love of thy friencs supply all the injuries and neglects which thou sustainest!

An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

O dearest and most loving Lord, who dost invite me to give thee my heart, and commandest me to love thee withmy whole heart, I most earnestly desire to perform thy will. For whom have I in heaven but thee? There is more earth that I desire in comparison of thee. For thee my heart and my flesh have fainted away Thu art the God of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Thou art the source of all perfection, whom the angels deight to behold. Thou hast thought of me from all errnity, and hast bestowed on me in time this excellent

being, "a little lower than the angels." Thou dost sustain me every moment, lest I should fall back into my original nothingness. When I was lost in my sin, thou, the co-equal Son of the eternal Father, didst give thyself for me, taking upon thee my feeble nature, that thou mightest suffer in my stead. Oh, what bitter sufferings didst thou undergo for me in the garden and on the cross! [Here pause awhile to meditate briefly on some principal sufferings of our Lord, especially such as may in any way resemble your own; for instance, loss, or ingratitude of friends, calumnies, reproaches, desolation of spirit, &c.] O my bountiful and most loving Lord, can it be that such excess of love should not move me to such poor return as I can make thee! Yes, Lord, I will love thee, because thou didst first love me. I will try to love thee, as thou hast commanded, with all my heart, all my mind, all my soul, and all my strength. I protest before thee, that henceforth neither tribulation, nor distress, nor persecution, nor life, nor death, nor any created thing, shall be able to separate me from thee, my beginning and my end. Quench, then, by thy Holy Spirit, all love of the world and of myself which still reigns within me; enable me to bear thy sweet yoke, that I may learn of thee to be meek and humble of heart. Pierce my soul with a deep sense of my own wretchedness, that so I may learn to esteem others better than myself.

O meek and humble Heart of my Jesus! O Heart of love, teach me to love thee. Be henceforth the miving principle of my heart; shape all its desires and effections according to thine own, till at length it comes to be absorbed in the abyss of pure love for all etenity.

Amen.

Prayer of St. Gertrude to the Sacred Heart of Jesu.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus! living and life-giving forntain of eternal life, infinite treasure of the divinity, glowing furnace of love! Thou art my refuge and my sanctuary. O my adorable and lovely Saviour! consume my heart with that burning fire wherewith this sume my heart with that burning fire wherewith this war inflamed; pour down on my soul those graces

which flow from thy love, and let my heart be so united with thine, that our wills may be one, and mine in all things conformed to thine. May thine be the rule alike of my desires and of my actions. Amen.

An Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

O adorable Heart of my God and Saviour, filled with a lively sorrow at the thought of the injuries which thou hast received, and art every day receiving, in the august Sacrament of the altar, I prostrate myself at thy feet, to make thee an act of humble reparation for all that thou hast suffered. Oh, that by my reverence, by my devotion, I could make amends to thy outraged majesty! Oh, that I could do so, even at the sacrifice of my life! Call to mind thy mercies, O Jesus! and grant me the pardon which I beg for so many impious, heretical, and slothful Christians who dishonour thee, and above all, for myself, who have so often offended thee. Remember not my ingratitude; but remember that thy divine Heart, bearing the burden of my sins, was afflicted even unto death. Let not thy sufferings and thy blood be in vain: destroy in me my sinful heart, and give me one according to thine own, a humble and a contrite heart; a heart that is pure, and full of horror for sin; a heart that henceforth may be as a victim wholly consecrated to thy glory, and inflamed with the sacred fire of thy love. And for my part, I promise thee, O most sweet Jesus, to endeavour for the future, as much as in me lies, by my devotion in church, by my diligence in visiting thee in the Sacrament of the altar, by my fervour in receiving thee in the holy Communion, to make reparation for the irreverences, the profanations, and the sacrileges which I deplore in the bitterness of my soul. Amen.

A Visit to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

O Heart of Jesus! who remainest day and night amongst us, inviting, expecting, receiving, all those who come to visit thee, I worship thee, and confess to thee my misery and my nothingness. I thank thee for

all the mercies which thou hast bestowed upon me, especially for delivering me from the power of the devil; for restoring to me the dignity of a child of God, which I had lost by sin; for giving me blessed Mary for my advocate; and inspiring me with the desire to come into thy presence. I thank thee with all my heart, that thou vouchsafest to remain open for me; I desire to repair the injuries which I have had the misery to inflict upon thee, by my coldness and indifference to thy service. Oh, that I could honour thee as thou deservest to be honoured, in all places where now thou art the least honoured and the most neglected. Amen.

And thou, immaculate Mary, most holy and dear Mother of fair love, who so earnestly desirest that thy divine Son should be loved by all, obtain for me, by thy most powerful intercession, that he may receive and accept this solemn consecration, which I this day make of my whole self in thy presence; to the end that my name may be written indelibly in the number of those happy souls, who, faithful and constant in his service, shall never be separated from the most sweet love of thy dear and most amiable Son Jesus. Amen.

The Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be found in its place, p. 337.

Form of Admission into the Confraternity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

I, _______ for the greater honour of Jesus Christ crucified, and of his divine Heart, burning with love in the blessed Eucharist, and also to repair the outrages he receives in this august Sacrament, associate myself of my own free will to the faithful received into this pious Confraternity: I desire to participate in the indulgences with which it is enriched, and in the mod works therein performed; both for the expiation

of my own sins, and for the assistance of the suffering

souls in purgatory.

O sweet Jesus! enclose in thy Sacred Heart all the members of this Association; grant that, faithfully observing the precepts of thy law, and fulfilling the duties proper to their condition, they may be more and more inflamed with the fire of thy divine love, Amen.

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The Confraternity of the Blessed Bacrament.

This Confraternity was established at Rome about the commencement of the 16th century; its object being to pay especial honour to Jesus Christ in the sacrament of his love, and to make reparation for the injuries committed against him therein.

The associates engage—1. To promote, by every means, the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament. 2. To assist at processions in honour of it. 3. To make offerings of candles, &c. for its altar. 4. To say five "Our Fathers," and five "Hail Marys" every week in honour of it. 5. To accompany the Blessed Sacrament to the sick, or to say instead five "Our Fathers" and five "Hail Marys."

The indulgences attached to the Confraternity are—1. A plenary indulgence, in the form of Jubilee (with the usual conditions), on the day of admission; also three times during life. 2. A plenary indulgence for assisting at the procession in the octave of Corpus Christi, of, where unable to assist in person, for uniting in spirit with the same object; also at the hour of death, on invoking, at least mentally, the holy name of Jesus. 3. An indulgence of seven years and seven quadragenæ (with the usual conditions) on the feast of Corpus Christi, also on Maunday-Thursday, on condition of confession, &c., and assisting at the procession. 4. An in-

dulgence of 100 days for accompanying the visitions to the sick, or praying as above: for assisting at processions or offices of the Confraternity; for visiting the chapel of the Confraternity on Fridays; for visiting the Blessed Sacrament on Maunday-Thursday; for assisting at Mass in the chapel of the Confraternity on days of its assembling, or at processions; for assisting at a funeral; for praying as above for the soul of a deceased brother; for exercising hospitality to the poor; reconciling persons at variance; reclaiming a sinner; instructing the ignorant; visiting the sick or imprisoned; giving alms, or doing any work of corporal or spiritual mercy.

All these indulgences are applicable to the souls in pur-

gatory.

Ejaculatory Prayer to the Blessed Sacrament.

Praised and glorified each moment be the most Holy and Divine Sacrament!

The following indulgences are attached to the repetition of this prayer:—1. An indulgence of 100 days once a day.

2. The same three times a day on all Thursdays in the year, on the feast of Corpus Christi, and on any day during the octave.

3. A plenary indulgence (with the usual conditions) to those who shall have repeated it every day for a month, on any day at choice. The partial indulgence of 100 days is applicable to the souls in purgatory, on repeating the prayer when the bell announces the exposition, benediction, or elevation of the Blessed Sacrament.

Litany of the Blessed Sacrament, see p. 335. Hymns for ditto, see p. 288.

Little Chaplet in honour of the Sacred Beart of Jesus.

- V. O Lord, bow down to aid me.
- By. O Lord, make haste to help me.
- 1. O my most beloved Jesus, when I think upon thy loving Heart, so full of compassion and sweetness towards sinners, my soul rejoices, and is filled with hope that thou wilt also receive me into thy merciful arms, and fill me with thy blessings. Have mercy on me, O Lord Jesus, and save my soul. Forgive my sins, as thou didst vouch-safe to forgive Peter and Magdalene, when they turned to thee weeping and detesting their iniquities.

Pater, five Glorias.

- O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.
- 2. I bless thee, my Jesus, for the humility of thy Heart, and thank thee that thou hast left it for my model, that by it I may be excited to imitation. Fool and ingrate that I am, to have wandered so far from thee. Pardon me, O Lord! I offer thee my heart; I will love thee all the days of my life, until I shall be united with thee in the kingdom of thy glory. Give me courage, my Jesus, and help me to fulfil my resolution.

Pater, five Glorias.

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

8. I marvel, O my Jesus, at the infinite patience of thy Heart. I rejoice at the wondrous pattern of suffering which thou hast left to us, and lament my extreme aversion to endure the slightest pain. Ah, my Jesus, infuse into my heart a fervent and continual love of suffering of crosses, of mortifications, of penance, that, by following thee to Calvary, I may be united to thee in thy glory in heaven.

Pater, five Glorias.

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

4. When I meditate on the meekness of thy Heart, O my Jesus, I am struck with horror at the sight of my misery. Oh, what a contrast between thy Heart, all sweetness and mildness, and mine full of bitterness and passion! Oh,

pardon me, O Lord, and grant me grace that I may in future imitate thee in thy unalterable meckness, and may thus obtain a constant and holy peace.

Pater, five Glorias.

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee silways more and more.

5. I sing praises, O dearest Jesus, to the generosity of thy Heart, which hath conquered death and hell. How I blush to see mine in so cowardly a manner shrinking from the slightest sacrifice! But itshall be so no longer. Grant me the courage and strength which will render me victorious over all my enemies on earth, and prepare me for the glorious triumphs of Paradise.

Pater, five Glorias.

O sweet Heart of my Jesus, make me love thee always more and more.

Concluding Prayer.

Behold, O most loving Jesus, to what an excess thy love has gone! Of thy own flesh and most precious blood thou hast prepared for me a divine banquet, in which thou givest me thy whole self. What could have moved the to this transport of love! Nothing else, surely, than thy most loving Heart. O adorable Heart of my Jesus, furnace of divine love, receive into thy sacred wound my soul, that I may learn in that school of charity how to love my God, who has given me such wonderful proofs of his love: so be it.

Indulgences for the above Chaplet: 1. An indulgence of 300 days, once a day, to all the faithful, who, with contrition and devotion, say the above little chaplet, or rather prayers, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. 2. A plenary indulgence once a month, to all who say them once a day for an entire month; to be gained on that day, when, after confession and communion, they shall pray for the intention of the Sovereign Pontification.

Offering.

My loving Jesus, in order to shew the grateful love I bear thee, and to make reparation for my unfaithfulness to grace, I (N. N.) give thee my heart, and I consecrate myself wholly to thee; and with thy help I purpose never to sin again.

Plenary indulgence, once a menth, to all the faithful who, every day for a month, shall have said the above offering to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus before a representation of the Sacred Heart, to be gained on any one day when, after confession and communion, they shall pray according to the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff. Indulgence of 100 days, once a day, to all who shall make this offering with contrite hearts.

Prayers,

WITH THE "PATER NOSTER," ETC.

1. The Word was made fleah, and dwelt amongst us. Eternal Word, made man for love of us, humbly kneeling at thy feet, we adore thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and in order that we may repair our ingratitude for this great benefit of thy Incarnation, we unite ourselves to the hearts of all those who love thee, and together with them we offer thee our humble loving thanksgiving. Touched with the great humility, goodness, and sweetness which we behold in thy divine Heart, we beseech thee to give us thy grace, that in our lives we too may imitate these virtues so dear to thee.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory.

2. He was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius

Pilate, and was buried.

Jesus, our loving Sawiour, humbly kneeling at thy feet, we adore thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and in order that we may give thee proof of the sorrow we feel for our insensibility to the outrages and sufferings which thy loving Heart made thee undergo for our salvation in thy painful Passion and death, we here unite ourselves with the hearts of all those who love thee, and together with them we give thanks unto thee with our whole soul. We wonder at the boundless patience and the generosity of thy divine Heart; and we entreat thee to fill our hearts with such a spirit of Christian penance as may enable us courageously to embrace suffering, and to make thy Cross our great comfort and all our glory.

Our Father, &c.

3. Thou didst give them bread from heaven to eat, containing in itself all sweetness.

Jesus, who dost burn with love for us, humbly kneeling

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at thy feet we adore thee with the deepest veneration of our soul; and in order to make thee recompense for the outrages which thy divine Heart faily receives in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar, we unite ourselves with the hearts of all those who love thee and give thee tender thanks. We love in thy divine Heart its incomprehensible fire of love towards thy eternal Father; and we entreat thee to inflame our hearts with ardent charity towards thee and towards our neighbours.

Our Father, &c.

Lastly, O most loving Jesu, we entreat thee, by the sweetness of thy divine Heart, to convert the sinner, to console the afflicted, to help the dying, to lighten the pains of the souls in purgatory. Make all our hearts one in the bonds of true peace and charity, deliver us from sudden and unforeseen death, and grant us a death which shall be holy and peaceful. Amen.

- Y. Heart of Jesus, burning with love of us.

 Ry. Inflame our hearts with love of thee.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who glory in the most sacred Heart of thy well-beloved Son, and call to mind the great benefits of his heavenly charity towards us, may be gladdened by the operation and fruit of those graces in our souls; through the same Christ our Lord.

Indulgences: 300 days each time; plenary once a month, on the usual conditions.

Acts of Adoration and Reparation TO JESUS IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

1. I adore thee profoundly, my Jesus, in the blessed Sacrament; I acknowledge thee true God and true man. By this my act of adoration I intend to make thee reparation for the coldness of so many of thy people, who pass before thy churches, nay, before thy very tabernacle, where hour after hour thou dost deign to dwell in loving impatience to communicate thyself to thy faithful; yet do not even bow the knee before thee, but, like the Israelites in the wilderness, seem by their indifference to doathe this heavenly manna. I offer thee thine own most precious blood which thou didst shed from the wound in thy left foot, in reparation for this hateful coldness; and, entering therein, I say, and will never cease to say:

Blessed and praised every moment be the most holy and divine Sacrament. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory, &c.

2. I adore thee profoundly, my Jesus; I acknowledge thee present in the most holy Sacrament. By this act of adoration I would make amends for the forgetfulness of so many Christian people, who, when they see thee go to the poor sick, to be their strength in their great journey to eternity, leave thee unescorted, and hardly give thee even one outward sign of homage: I offer thee, in reparation for this coldness, that most precious blood which thou didst shed from the wound in thy right foot; and, entering therein, I say and will never cease to say:

Blessed and praised, &c.; Our Father, &c.

3. I adore thee profoundly, my Jesus, true Bread of life eternal; and by this my act of adoration I would make thee compensation for all the wounds with which thy sacred Heart bleeds daily to see the profanation of those churches wherein thou dost vouchsafe to abide beneath the sacramental species, to receive the love and adoration of thy people. I offer thee, in reparation for all these irreverences, that most precious blood which thou didst shed from the wound in thy left hand; and, satering therein, I say every moment?

Blessed and praised, &c.; Our Father, &c.

4. I adore thee profoundly, my Jesus, the Living Bread which has come down from heaven; and by this act of adoration I would make amends for all the acts of irreverence which thy people day by day commit whilst they assist at Holy Mass, in which bloodless sacrifice thou dost renew the very sacrifice which once thou didst consummate on Calvary for our salvation. I offer thee, in reparation for all this ingratitude, that most precious blood which thou didst shed from the wound in thy right hand; and, entering therein, I unite my voice with the voices of the holy angels who adore around thy throne:

Blessed and praised, &c. : Our Father, &c.

5. I adors thee profoundly, my Jesus, true victim of expiation for our sins; and I offer thee this act of adoration in compensation for the sacrilegious outrages thou dost receive from so many of thy ungrateful people, who dare to draw nigh to thee and receive thee in communion with mortal sin upon their souls. In reparation for these hateful sacrileges, I offer thee those last drops of thy most precious blood which thou didst shed from the wound in thy side; and, entering therein, I approach thee with acts of adoration, love, and thanksgiving, and, with all holy souls who are devout to thee in the most holy Sacrament, I say:

Blessed and praised, &c.; Our Father, &c.

Tantum ergo, Panera de coslo, Deus qui nobis, us at Benediction, p.415.

An indulgence of 300 days, every time the above are said devoutly, with five Pater nosters, five Ave Marias, and five Gloria Patris, &c.

Reparation and Gjaculations.

REPARATION.

Jesus, my God, my Saviour, true God and true man. with that most profound homage with which the faith itself inspires me, I adore and love thee with my whole heart, enclosed in the most august Sacrament of the Altar, in reparation for all the acts of irreverence, profanation, and sacrilege, which I may ever have been so unhappy as to have committed, as well as for all suchlike acts that ever have been done, or which may be done, though God forbid they should be, in ages yet to come. I adore thee, therefore, my God, not indeed as thou deservest, nor as much as I am bound to adore, but as far as I am able; and I would that I could adore thee with all the perfection of which a reasonable creature is capable. Meantime I purpose now and ever to adore thee, not only for those Catholics who adore thee not, and love thee not, but also in the stead of, and for the conversion of, all hereties, schismatics, impious atheists, blasphemers, sorcerers, Turks, Jews, and idolaters. Jesus, my God, mayest thou be ever known, adored, loved, and

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praised every moment, in the most holy and divine Sacrament. Amen.

An indulgence of 200 days to every one who, with contrition for his sins and with devotion, says the above Act of Reparation to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament,

EJACULATIONS.

I adore thee every moment, O Living Bread of Heaven, great Sacrament!

Jesus, Heart of Mary, I pray thee send thy blessing on

my soul

Holiest Jesu! lowing Saviour! I give thee my heart.

200 days each time.

Braper.

Behold, my most loving Jesus, to what an excess thy boundless love has carried thee! Of thine own flesh and precious blood thou hast made ready for me a banquet in order to give me all thyself. What was it that impelled thee to this transport of love for me? It was thy Heart, thy loving Heart. O adorable Heart of my Jesus, burning furnace of divine love! within thy most sacred wound receive thou my soul; that in that school of charity I may learn to requite the love of that God who has given me such wondrous proofs of his love. Amen.

Indulgence, 100 days, once a day, each time.

The "Bour Sanctified."

In order to awaken the gratitude of the faithful towards their Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, for his institution of the holy Eucharist, on those days when the Church commemorates that act of his love, Pope Pius VII. granted: 1. A plenary indulgence to all who on Holy Thursday, either in public or private, shall, for one hour, practice some devotion in remembrance of the institution of the most holy Eucharist; to be gained after confession and communion on that day, or some day in the following week. 2. A plenary indulgence, on the same conditions, on the Feast of Corpus Christi. 3. An indulgence of 300 days en any other Thursday, on practising this devetion with a constite heart.

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The Agonising Beart of Jesus.

The end of this devotion is:

1st. To pay a tribute of homage to the sufferings which the Heart of Jesus endured for the salvation of souls throughout the whole course of his life, and especially during his sacred Passion.

2dly. To obtain, through the merits of this long agony, the grace of a happy death for those who, in number about 80,000, die each day throughout the world; a number in nothing exaggerated—it is an ascertained fact.

A Prayer

To be said daily in behalf of those who are in their agony, and of all those who are that day to die.

O clementissime Jesu, amator animarum, obsecro te per agoniam Cordis tui sanctissimi et per dolores Matris tuæ immaculatæ, lava in sanguine tuo peccatores totius mundi, nuno positos in agonia, et hodie morituros. Amen,

Cor Jesu in agonia factum, miserere morientium. O most merciful Jesus, fond lover of souls, purify, I implore thee by the agony of thine own mosts sacred Heart, and by the grief of thy immaculate Mother,—purify in the laver of thy blood all sinners who are in their agony, and who are this day to die. Amen.

Agonising Heart of Jesus, have pity on the dying!

Pious Practice.

Offer up together with this prayer some of your daily actions to the agonising Heart of Jesus, in behalf of those who are that day in their agony.

Pray!

To-day eighty thousand souls are falling in the harvest of death; they are standing before the awful judgment-seat of God; they are entering on an eternity either of weal or woe; and, oh, of that number thousands perhaps are in the state of mortal sin!

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Pray then!

Christian man, blessed with a heart to feel, it is the Heart of Jesus that asks this of you, that Heart which has loved you so dearly, that Heart which has suffered such anguish for you and for these poor souls. Pray then, and above all, for sinners now in their agony and about to die. All that is wanting to save them from hell is a well-made confession or a perfect act of contrition. Ask of the agonising Heart of Jesus to grant them the one or the other of these two graces. Ask it without delay; time urges—to-morrow will be too late.

Pray for the agonising; they are your brethren in Jesus Christ, your relations perhaps, your friends, your benefactors.

Pray for the aganising; and you will do what Jesus Christ did—you will save souls. How sublime a mission!

Pray for the agonising. St. James says: "He who causeth a sinner to be converted from the error of his way shall save his soul from death, and shall cover a multitude of sins."

Pray for the agonising. Prayers will one day be offered for you when you are in your agony. How sweet a consolation in this last terrible struggle!

Make known "the devotion to the agonising Heart of Jesus" to those who are ignorant of it; introduce it into your families and into your communities; and the sacred Heart will heap blessings upon you.

If by the fervour of your prayers you succeed in saving one soul each day, at the end of a year the number will amount to 365; at the end of ten years to 3650. How rich this harvest! What a diadem for eternity!

Guard of Monour of the Adorable Beart of Jesus.

THE OBJECT OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The associates shall, by their devotedness and their lore, strive to console the Heart of Jesus, drowned in grief at the forgetfulness and ingratitude of men, for whom he suffered so much, whom he loves so ardently, and by whom he is so little loved. They succeed each other by turns before their Saviour Jesus, to offer to his most tender Heart respect, love, devotedness, and consolation.

ORGANISATION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The associates choose, once for all, one hour in the day (which best suits them). At the beginning of this Hour of Guard, without necessarily in any way changing their ordinary occupations, the associates station themselves in spirit at the post of love—the tabernacle; there they offer to Jesus all their thoughts, words, actions, sufferings, and, above all, the desire they have to console his tender Heart by their fidelity and their love. During the course of the hour, the associates try to think a little oftener of our Lord, make at least an act of love, and if they can a little sacrifice.

[The paper of Rules and Indulgences may be had of the publishers.]

Debotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for each Bay in the Wileek.

SUNDAY.

Consideration.—The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has for its object the adorable Heart of the divine Saviour, and the infinite love wherewith it was consumed for us. Its ends are, to give him back love for love, to thank him for all his benefits and blessings, and to make him reparation for the outrages which are being done him continually, especially in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar. It was revealed by Jesus Christ himself as the most efficacious means of reviving our feeble faith, and rekind-

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ling our languid charity. No devotion seems better fitted to meet the needs of modern society. To the self-worship of our times, to their sensual tendencies, to their indifference in matters of religion, to the cupidity which separates and estranges hearts, and to the discouragement which weakens them, it opposes the worship, and the divine influence of the Heart that was at once the most devoted, the most pure, the most tender, the most compassionate.

It is in presence of the Blessed Sacrament that the Church bids us offer up to the Sacred Heart of Jesus the worship of our adoration, our gratitude, our love, and our praise; for to the eyes of our faith he is there, in the tabernacle, with all the love and compassion he showed

forth during his life amongst men.

Invocation.—O Jesus, my sweetest hope, may thy divine Heart, which was pierced for love of me, and opened to all sinners, be the assured refuge of my soul! (St. Gertrude.)

Practice.—Be generous in the service of the Lord, that you may thus honour the zeal wherewith the Heart of Jesus was consumed for the glory of his heavenly Father.

Aspiration.—O Mary, teach us to know the Sacred

Heart of Jesus.

Resolution.—I will seek to have my name enrolled in the Association of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and I will go to Holy Communion on the first Friday of every month. On that day I will renew the consecration of my whole being to the Sacred Heart, and will endeavour to make reparation to it for the outrages it is continually sustaining.

I will also be enrolled in the Association of the Communion in Reparation, and in that of the Sacred Heart of Mary; and I will repeat every day the invocation: "Our

Lady of the Sacred Heart, pray for us."

Consecration.—O my Jesus, I now again renew the covenant which it was my blessedness to make with thee in my baptism, and I again renounce the devil, with all his pomps and all his works, and I consecrate myself for evermore to thy adorable Heart and to the immaculate Heart of Mary.

Say the Litany of the Sacred Heart, p. 337, or the Chaplet of Thanksgiving, p. 584.

MONDAY.

Consideration.—The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is not a privilege reserved to a few pious souls; our Lord has directed that it should be made public, and diffused throughout his Church. Are not all men the objects of his yearning love? Has not his most precious blood been shed for all, and do not his blessings and his bounties overflow upon all? Have we not all wounded this adorable Heart by our sins? Yes; the Heart of Jesus is the common treasure of all men; it was pierced and laid open upon the cross for all; and each of us, even the guiltiest and the most defiled, has a portion and a share in its mercies and its love. It is, then, the bounden duty of all to bring to the Heart of Jesus their tribute of love, of gratitude, and of reparation; and each has a right to seek in this divine Heart both refuge and consolation. And thus the universal heart of Christendom was filled with joy when Pope Pius IX. decreed that the Feast of the Sacred Heart should be celebrated throughout the Church, and that it should henceforward be classed with the greatest feasts of the year. Christ holds bound to his Heart with the cords of his love the generations of those who love him. . . . I say to myself when I look at the pierced Heart of Jesus: O, if all our hearts were there!" (P. Felix.)

Invocation.—"O my Lord, I desire nothing but only thee alone, and never shall I find rest until I come to hide myself entirely and for ever in thy divine Heart."

(St. Catherine of Genoa.)

Practice.—Strive throughout the day to show the utmost gentleness and tenderness to all around you, in honour of the gentleness and the infinite tenderness of the Heart of Jesus.

Aspiration .- O Mary, teach us to love and imitate the

Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Resolution.—Every year I will keep the Feast of the Sacred Heart with great plety, and will prepare for it by a solemn Novena. Every day I will not fail to pray for sinners, whom the Heart of Jesus loves so tenderly, and who are so ungrateful towards him.

I will often meditate on those words of the blessed Margaret Mary: "I know not that there is in the spiri-

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tual life any exercise of devotion which is more fitted to raise the soul in a short time to great perfection than the worship of the Sacred Heart."

Say three times the following invocation:

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved every where and by all. (100 days' indulgence.)

TUESDAY.

Consideration.—In order to understand the position and rank of the devotion to the Sacred Heart in Christian worship, it is surely enough to reflect that our Lord himself enjoined its establishment and its propagation, that he appointed its leading practices, and that he has given to those who should devote themselves to it the most consoling promises,—as of peace and concord in their families, fervour in the service of God, consolation in troubles and trials, and a calm confidence at the hour of their death. "I say with all confidence," were the words of the blessed Margaret Mary, "that if it were known how dear this devotion is to Jesus Christ, there is not a Christian, however languid his love for our loving Redeemer, who would not practise it. Our Lord has in store unutterable and incomprehensible blessings for those who shall help to spread this devotion. Our Lord gave me to see that the names of great numbers of persons were graven on his divine Heart, because of the ardent longing they feel to cause it to be loved and honoured; and never shall those names be effaced." "O. how sweet and blessed it is," she says again, "to die when one has cherished a tender and constant devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus!"

Invocation. - "O Heart of Jesus, fountain of love, source of all graces, ocean of goodness, grant me to enter thine ever-open wound, that I may receive the pardon thou didst merit for me on the cross." (The Venerable

Frances of the Seraphs.)

Practice.—In all your temptations, your falls, and your discouragements, offer to God the blood of Jesus Christ and the sufferings of his divine Heart.

Aspiration.—O Mary, deign to place us at thy side in

the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Resolution.—Every year I will consecrate the month of June to the honour of the Heart of Jesus, as I consecrate the month of May to the honour of the Blessed Virgin; and thus Mary shall be my way and my guiding star to Jesus.

Prayer.—O Sacred Heart of Jesus, shed thy blessings on the Holy Church, on our Holy Father the Pope, on all priests and ministers of thy Church, and on all children; uphold the just, convert sinners, enlighten those who do not believe, console the afflicted, succour those in illness, aid the dying, set free the holy souls in purgatory, and extend over every heart of man the sweet empire of thy love. Amen.

Chaplet of the flaced Heart, or that of Thanksgiving, pp. 588, 584.

WEDNESDAY.

Consideration .- In regard of Jesus we may well address to Christians the words which St. John Baptist said to the Jews: "There standeth One among you, whom you know not." For, in truth, Jesus Christ is not known enough: his love is not felt enough. Every one knows, indeed, that he is God; that he died for us: that he is truly present in the Biessed Sacrament: but we do not know him as a child knows his loving father, as a man knows his devoted friend; we do not know him with that knowledge of the heart, from which spring intimacv and confidence. Now, the devotion to the Secred Heart will teach us to know and love Jesus by disclosing to us the mysteries of his mercy, and by enabling us to understand more and more the love with which he loveth us. thou knewest the gift of God!" said our Lord to the woman of Samaria. If we understood what Jesus hath given to us in giving us his heart! . . . What love and what confidence should we not feel towards him !

Invocation.—"O priceless wound of the side of Jesus, source of all our blessedness! drawn to there by the force of thy sweetness, I fix in thee my abode for ever, and I store up in thee all I have and all I hope." (St. Francis Borgia.)

Practice.—Strive with constant ardour to correct all your faults, in order to honour the virtues of the heart of Jesus.

Aspiration.—O Mary, obtain for us a strong trust in the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Resolution.—I will daily invoke the Sacred Heart of Jesus on behalf of all those who are in their agony. My prayers may obtain for one soul grace to make one set of true contrition, and so may open to it the gate of heaven, And if I can but sid in saving one soul each day, what a glorious harvest stored up for eternity! St. Bonaventure used to say, in speaking of Jesus, "I will speak to his Heart, and I shall obtain from him all I want."

Prayer for those in their Agony.—O most meroiful Jesus, who dost burn with so ardent a love for souls, I implore thee, by the agony of thine own most Sacred Heart, and by the dolours of thine immaculate Mother, cleanse in thy most precious blood the souls of all sinners who are at this moment in their agony, and who are

this day appointed to die. Amen.

O agonising Heart of Jesus, have mercy on the dying.

THURSDAY.

Consideration.—The Heart of Jesus was formed for us in Mary's bosom; for us, and for our salvation, it beat, and prayed, and suffered; it inspired the touching narratives of the gospels; it is the fount and source of all the Sacraments. This Sacred Heart, by its mysterious wound, was, as the holy fathers teach us, the origin of the Church; and now, from the silent tabernacle, it upholds the Church, blesses and consoles it. This Heart inspires all acts of self-devotion, sanctifies all sorrow, and produces all virtue. It is this Heart which speaks our pardon in the tribunal of penance, and breathes throughout our souls the secret inspirations of his grace. This Heart gave us Mary for our Mother, and has shown in the Blessed Sacrament that its delight is to dwell among the children of men; in one word, this Sacred Heart is the source and the channel of every grace and every gift from heaven. And, indeed, inasmuch as God has taken, in the mystery of the Incarnation, a human heart to be the abode and the instrument of his infinite love, he has thereby intrusted to it the whole ministry of goodness and of mercy; so that there is not one single grace or gift of God which does not come down to us from and through the Heart of Jesus.

When our Lord showed St. Frances his pierced Heart, he caused her soul to hear this sweet invitation: "Let

him who is athirst come to me, and drink." Come, then, to the Heart of Jesus, and you will draw with joy from those fountains of the Saviour that living water of grace which springeth up unto life eternal.

Invocation.—"O love, O sovereign love of the Heart of Jesus, what heart shall ever praise thee as it ought!... May this Heart ever live in our hearts!" (St. Francis of

Sales.)

Practice.—Perform all your actions in union with the Heart of Jesus, in order that you may acquire great purity of intention.

Aspiration .- O Mary, teach us to love thee, as thou art

loved by the Sacred Heart of Jesus!

Resolution.—I will strive to feel as the Heart of Jesus feels towards Mary, St. Joseph, the holy Angels and Saints, and the souls in purgatory. Far from lessening my other devotions, my devotion to the Sacred Heart will thus become their life and their support, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." (St. Paul.)

Offering.—O Jesus, my Father, my Friend, my one and only good, I offer myself wholly and without reserve to thee. I lay myself on thy altar; pervade me with the mind which was in thee. Grant me grace to perfect this my sacrifice; strengthen and enable me that I may calmly, lovingly, unreservedly immolate and consume whatever in me still bears the human impress of weakness and imperfection.

Chaplet of Thanksgiving, p. 584.

FRIDAY.

Consideration. — Our Lord has expressed, under the figure of a heart pierced and surrounded with the instruments and tokens of his Passion, his yearning desire to see his infinite love honoured with an adequate honour; and he has promised that every where, wheresoever this sacred image should be, it would draw down abundant blessings. And, indeed, what can the Heart of Jesus do, wherever its image be, but love, and forgive, and bless, and console, and heal? The image of the Sacred Heart is a simple, but most touching and continuous, exhortation to place all our love and trust in a God who has so loved us. Two centuries have passed away since our Lord expressed this desire, and still how many houses, how

many churches, are without the memorial of the Sacred Heart! How many sick persons, how many poor, have not yet before their eyes this great pattern and exemplar of resignation! What graces might not this divine Heart lavish on us if its image were exposed, during the month of June, on an altar fittingly adorned, as it were on a throne of grace, that he might there receive our worship and listen to the voice of our prayer!

It is impossible to be long in presence of the Sacred Heart of Jesus without feeling our hearts smitten and melted within us at thought of all his great goodness, of all his unutterable anguish, and without longing to give him back love for love. Let us often salute this divine Heart, and say, with St. Augustin: "O my God, the memory of thee is my delight; I hunger, I thirst, for thy love."

Invocation.—"O sweetest Jesus, change my poor heart that it may be like unto thy Sacred Heart! May thy sorrows unite thy Heart to mine, and render it ever loving, ever merciful to me!" (B. Henry Suso.)

Practice.—Strive, by great fervour in all your exercises of piety, to make reparation for the indifference of men

towards God.

Aspiration .- O Mary, inflame us with zeal for the wor-

ship of the Sacred Heart.

Resolution.—I will put up in my room a picture of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and I will give this sacred image to those who are poor and in sorrow. Alms pass away and are gone; but the Divine Consoler will remain when the sorrow is over. This image is a voice which ever reminds us that the Heart of Jesus, really present in the tabernacle, loves us, makes intercession for us always.

Prayer to St. John.—O St. John, well-beloved disciple of Jesus, richly-privileged son of his holy Mother, Apostle and Evangelist of the love of God, grant us in our measure to share thy tender love for the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, and that intimate love which these Sa-

cred Hearts felt for thee. Amen.

Chaplet of the Sacred Heart and Act of Thanksgiving, pp. 583, 584.

SATURDAY.

Consideration.—St. Augustine compares the Heart of Jesus to the ark of Noe—all who enter therein are saved

from perishing. "From this riven Heart," says St. Cyprian, "gushes forth that living water which springs up
evermore into eternal life," The Heart of Jesus," says
St. Bernardine, "is a furnace of most glowing love, which
must set the whole universe of God on fire." St. Peter
Damian calls this Heart the universal treasury of wisdom
and knowledge; St. Francis of Sales speaks of it as the
source and spring of all graces; and St. Bonaventure, as
the treasure-house of all things that are good. St. Francis
of Assisi, St. Clare, St. Aloysius of Gonzaga invoked it
uncessingly, as the centre and focus of the divine love.
And this loving Heart was given to St. Mechtildis as a
place of refuge during her life, and her greatest consolation at the hour of her death.

Prayer.—O Lord, I implore thee, by the precious blood which flowed forth from the pierced side of Jesus, thy divine Son, set free the holy souls in purgatory, especially those who during their life were most devout to his Sacred Heart; that they may enter into the kingdom of thy glory, and begin to praise and bless thee for evermore in the

assembly of thy saints. Amen.

Invocation.—"O pierced Heart, O Heart ever open, of my Redeemer! O blissful abode of souls that are smitten with heavenly love! disdain not to take up into thee my unworthy soul!" (St. Alphonsus.)

Practice.—Imitate the zeal of the Heart of Jesus for the salvation of souls, by being faithful to the threefold apos-

tolate of prayer, example, and good advice.

Aspiration.—O Mary, we offer thee the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Receive it, O most tender Mother, and together with it the hearts of all thy children, whose motto shall ever be, All to the Heart of Jesus through the immaculate heart of Mary!

Resolution.—I will show my zeal for the worship of the Sacred Heart by distributing pictures of it, and by diffusing a knowledge of those practices which are fitted to make it known and loved. During the mouth of June, and on the first Friday of every month, if there he a lamp burning before the image of the Sacred Heart in church, I will contribute towards its expense. It shall be the outward token of my love, the pledge of my devotedness, and the expression of my gratitude towards this adorable Heart.

Repeat thrice the following ejaculations:

May all know, adore, and praise every moment, always, the most holy and most divine Sacrament. (Indulgence of 100 days.)

My Jesus, mercy! (100 days.)

My sweetest Jesus, be not thou my judge, but my Saviour. (50 days.)

Sweet heart of Mary, bring salvation. (300 days.)

The Chaplet of the Sacred Beart.

This Chaplet is made up of five large beads in honour of the five wounds of our Lord, and of thirty-three small beads in honour of the thirty-three years of his earthly life.

On beginning, say,

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesus, hear me.

Hide me within thy wounds.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

Defend me from the malignant enemy.

In the hour of my death call me, and bid me come to thee; that with thy angels and saints I may praise thee, for all eternity. (Indulgence 300 days.)

Before each large bead, say,

O sweetest Jesus, make my heart like thy Heart.

At each large bead, say,

We adore thee, O Jesus, serrowful even unto death in the Garden of Olives, and still despised by wicked men in the holy Eucharist; for thou only art holy, only thou art Lord, thou alone art great, O Jesus.

At each small bend, say,

I adore thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus; kindle my heart with the love wherewith thou dost burn. (From P. de Gallifet, S.J.; "On the Sacred Heart.")

Chaplet of Chanksgibing

THROUGH THE HEART OF JESUS.

This Chaplet is made like those of our Lady. At the beginning is said the Magnificat. At each large bead, say the following prayer of the blessed Margaret Mary:

O my God, I offer thee the Heart of Jesus, thy beloved Son, that it may give thee thanks for all thou hast done for me.

At each small bead is said.

Benedicamus Domino; Deo gratias

Act of Reparation.

O adorable Heart of Jesus, my soul is filled with grief to see the tokens of thy love received with so great contempt or indifference by so many men, and I am ashamed and mourn that I myself have been numbered amongst those ungrateful ones. In reparation of all these insults I offer thee, O divine Heart, the love of all just souls, the glowing ardours of the angels and saints of Paradise, and especially the tender love of Mary and of Joseph. O most loving Jesus, to accept with these the offering of all the affections of my heart and all its good desires. Amen.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, p. 337.

Braver to St. Alovsius.

Pope Pius VII., at the prayer of many bishops, the more to increase devotion towards St. Aloysius Gonzaga, who from the time of his canonisation was given by Benedict XIII. as the special protector of the young, granted an indulgence of 100 days, once a day, to all the faithful who, being contrite, shall devoutly say the following prayer, with one Pater noster and one Ave Maria.

The Prayer.

O blessed Aloysius, adorned with angelic virtues, I thy most unworthy suppliant recommend specially to thee the chastity of my soul and body, praying thee by thy angelic purity to plead for me with Jesus Christ the Immaculate Lamb, and his most holy Mother, Virgin of virgins, that they would vouchsafe to keep me from all grievous sin. Never suffer me to be defiled with any stain of fleshly sin; but when thou dost see me in temptation, or in danger of falling, then remove far from my mind all bad thoughts and unclean desires, and awaken in me the memory of eternity to come, and of Jesus crucified: impress deeply in my heart a sense of the holy fear of God; and kindling in me the fire of divine love, enable me so to follow thy footeteps here on earth, that in heaven I may be made worthy to enjoy with thee the vision of our God for ever. Amen,

Our Father, Hail Mary.

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July.

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD.

Confraternity of the Brecious Blood.

If a sanction be needed for so obvious a feeling as that of devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus, it would be difficult to read the Word of God without being struck with the prominent place assigned to it by the Holy Spirit. It is the subject of the types of the ancient law; it appears in the visions of the Prophets: and if Isaias sees the coming of our Lord, it is as one coming from Edom with dyed garments from Bozra: and he asks him. Why is thine apparel red, and thy garments like theirs that tread in the wine-press? And in the New Testament the Blood of Jesus seems to be singled out as though it were the special instrument of our redemption; and the song of triumph of the Saints in heaven is to the Lamb who has redeemed us out of every tribe, people, and nation by his precious blood. And if we would look for Saints upon earth, whose hearts were filled with the feeling which ought to animate the Confraternity, you have only to turn to the glorious Saint Catherine, whose especial devotion it seems to have been. Almost all her letters, and especially those addressed by this lowly maiden of Siena to the Sovereign Pontiff, begin and end with this idea. In addressing Urban VII., for instance, she always begins, "O sweetest and most holy Father in sweet Christ Jesus, I, Catherine, slave and servant of the servants of Jesus Christ, write to you in the Precious Blood;" and she concludes one to three Cardinals, "I entreat you, by the love of that Precious Blood shed with such a fire of love for us, to give rest to my soul, which seeks your salvation. I can tell you no more; abide in the holy and sweet love of God; bathe yourselves in the blood of the stainless Lamb, and so shall you lose all slavish fear, and be enlightened to remain in the fear which is holy."

There is no spiritual blessing, be it grace on earth or the bestific vision in heaven, which is not purchased for us by the blood of Jesus. If we are redemed as captives saved from the power of hell; if our sins are pardoned and we are reconciled to God,—it is only because our souls are washed in that life-giving stream.





To conclude with the words of Pope Clement VI., on which the whole doctrine of the Catholic Church on the subject is built. The object in this Confraternity is the Precious Blood of Jesus, "which, innocent victim as he was, he poured forth on the altar of the Cress, like a very deluge, not in a single drop, though that, from its union with the Word, would have been enough for the redemption of the whole race of man."

PLENARY INDULGENCES FOR MEMBERS OF THE CON-FRATERNITY.

On the day of registration, to those who, having confessed and communicated, shall pray according to the intention of the Supreme Pontiff.

At the hour of death, after confession and communion; or, if this be impossible, to such as, being contrite, shall invoke with the lips, or, if unable, with the heart, the

most sweet name of Jesus.1

Daily for those who, with confession and communion, shall make an hour's vocal or mental prayer, or partly one and partly the other, in memory of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Dolours of the most holy Mary, praying as above.

OTHER PLENARY INDULGENCES.

For which, besides the conditions of confession and communion, a visit is enjoined to any church whatever; and this visit may, for any reasonable motive, be commuted by the confessor of the individual for some other pious work.

On the first Sunday of July, being the Feast of the Precious Blood; Christmas-day, the Epiphany, Easter Sunday, the Feasts of the Conception, Purification, Assumption of most holy Mary, and of the most holy Rosary; the Feast of the holy Apostles SS. Peter and Paul; and on the commemoration of all the faithful departed.²

On the Feast of the Circumcision, on all the Fridays of

² These indulgences can likewise be gained on any day within the

Octaves of the respective Feasts.

¹ The members can also receive the benediction, with a plenary indulgence, "in articulo mortis," which can be given by the President of the Archoonfraternity, the Missionaries of the Congregation of the Precious Blood, the Rectors of the Confraternities, or pious unions aggregated to it, or by priests who have the power to aggregate, and have obtained the necessary faculties.

March, on the 28th of March, being the Feast of the Sacred Blood in Sta. Maria in Vado at Ferrara, on Holy Thursday, on the day of the Invention of the Holy Cross, on Ascension-day, Pentecost, Corpus Christi, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and the Feast of the most holy Redeemer, the 23d of October.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, the Dolours of the most holy Mary, Good Friday, our Lady of Carmel (July 16), the Nativity, Seven Dolours (3d Sunday of September), and the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin

(November 21).

On the Feasts of St. Joseph, St. John Baptist, All Saints, St. Francis Xavier, and of St. Nicholas of Bari.¹ Once a month on any day they may choose.

INDULGENCES FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL, EVEN SUCH AS

For such as shall recite the Chaplet of the Precious Blood once in the day, seven years and as many quarantains; and if they recite it daily for a mouth, a plenary indulgence, having confessed and communicated; on the last day of the mouth, or any day in the following mouth (Pius VII., 18th Oct. 1815).

The same indulgences can be gained by the recital of thirty-three Paters, meditating at the same time on the even blood-sheddings of our Lord; or, by such as are uninstructed and incompetent to meditate, by the simple recital of the thirty-three Paters (Gregory XVI., 5th

July 1843).

For the prayer, "O most Precious Blood," &c., placed at the end of the Chaplet, 300 days' indufgence, once a day.

For those who recite the hymn, "Hail, Jesus, hail!"
No. 109, 100 days' indulgence, once a day.

¹ The confession and communion necessary to gain these indulgences may be made on the previous day, except on the Fridays of March and Holy Thursday; the visit, however, cannot be made unless the first Vespers of the feast have begun. Those who have the pieus custom, unless now and then they be legitimately hindered, of confessing once a week, provided they are not conscious of being in a state of mortal sin, need not make a new confession to gain the above indulgences; but the communion and visit should be made as expressed above. The week is calculated from Sunday to Saturday.

For those who, with a contrite heart, and meditating on the Passion of our Lord, shall recite five Paters and Aves, with the versicle, "Te ergo quæsumus," and a "Requiem," &c., in suffrage for the faithful departed, 300 days indulgence each time; and to those who shall have recited them daily for a month, a plenary indulgence on the last day of the month, or on any day of the following month, provided they confess, communicate, and pray for the intention of the Supreme Pontiff, and for the repose of the dead (Pius VII., 7th February 1817).

For those who recite with devotion, "Eternal Father, I offer thee the most precious blood of Jesus Christ, in satisfaction for my own sins and for the wants of Holy

Church," 100 days' indulgence each time.

For the recital of the seven Offerings of the Precious Blood to the Eternal Father, 300 days' indulgence; and for such as shall have recited them daily for a month, after confession and communion, and praying as above, a plenary indulgence on the last day of the month, or on

any day in the succeeding month.

For reciting the offering, "Eternal Father, we offer thee the most precious blood of Jesus, which was shed for us with so much love and pain, from the wound in his right hand; and by its merits we supplicate thy divine Majesty to grant us thy holy benediction, that, in the strength of it we may be enabled to defend ourselves from all our enemies, and may be delivered from all evil, saying: The biessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, descend upon us, and remain with us always. Amen;" together with a Pater, Ave, and Gloria to the most holy Trinity, in thanksgiving for benefits received,—100 days' indulgence each time; and for having recited them daily for a month, after confession, communion, and praying as above, a plenary indulgence (Leo XII., Oct. 25, 1823).

OFFERINGS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF

1. Reternal Father! I effer thee the merits of the most precions blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the propagation and exaltation of my dear mother the Holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of her visible head, the holy Roman Pontiff, for the cardinals, bishops, and pastors of souls, and for all the ministers of the sanctuary.

y. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Ghost.

By. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Blessed and praised for evermore be Jesus, who hath saved us with his blood.

2. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the peace and concord of kings and Catholic princes, for the humiliation of the enemies of the holy faith, and for the happiness of all Christian people.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

3. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for the repentance of unbelievers, the extirpation of all heresies, and the conversion of sinners.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

4. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all my relations, friends, and enemies, for the poor, the siek, and those in tribulation, and for all those for whom thou willest I should pray, or knowest that I ought to pray.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

5. Eternal Father! I offer thee the merits of the most precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all those who shall this day pass to another life, that thou mayest deliver them from the pains of hell, and admit them speedily to the possession of thy glory.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised. &c.

6. Eternal Pather! I offer thee the merits of the most

precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all those who are lovers of this treasure of his blood, for all those who join with me in adoring and honouring it, and for all those who try to spread the devotion to it.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

7. Eternal Father! I affer thee the merits of the most precious blood of Jesus, thy beloved Son and my divine Redeemer, for all my wants, both spiritual and temporal, for the hely scals in purgatory, and particularly for these who in lifetime were most devoted to this price of our redemption, and to the serrows and pains of our dear Mother, the most hely Mary.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Blessed and praised, &c.

Blessed and exalted be the blood of Jesus, now and always, and through all eternity.

Chaplet of the Precious Blood.

This Chaplet is composed of seven Mysteries, in which we meditate upon the seven times in which Jesus Christ for love of us shed blood from his most innocent Body: at each Mystery, except the last, we are to say five Pater nosters and one Gloria Patri; and at the last three Pater nosters only and one Gloria Patri; thus making up the number of thirty-three Pater nosters in remembrance of the thirty-three years during which the Precious Blood of Jesus flowed in his veins, before it was all poured out for our salvation. The Chaplet ends with the devout prayer, "Most Precious Blood," &c.

THE CHAPLET.

▼. O God, bow down to aid me.

Ry. O Lord, make haste to help me.

y. Glory be to the Father, &c.

Rr. As it was, &c.

FIRST MYSTERY.

The first time our loving Saviour shed his Precious Blood for us was on the eighth day after his furth, when the was circumcised in order to accomplish the law of While, then, we reflect that Jesus did this to rjustice of God for our dissolute lives, let us alves to true sorrow for them, and promise,

with the help of his all-powerful grace, to be henceforth truly chaste in body and in soul.

Five Our Fathers and one Glory.

We beseech thee, therefore, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy Precious Blood.

SECOND MYSTERY.

Next, in the Garden of Olives, Jesus shed his Blood for us in such quantity that it bathed the earth around. This took place at the sight of the ingratitude with which men would meet his love. Oh, let us, then, repent sincerely, because we have hitherto corresponded so ill with the innumerable benefits of our God, and resolve to make good use of his graces and holy inspirations.

Five Our Fathers, &c.

We beseech, &c.

THIRD MYSTERY.

Next, in his cruel scourging Jesus shed his Blood, when his flesh was so torn that rivers of Blood flowed from his body in every part, all of which he offered all the time to his Eternal Father in payment of our impatience and our delicacy. How is it, then, we do not curb our anger and our self-love? Henceforth we will indeed try our very best to bear our troubles well, and, despising ourselves, to take peacefully the injuries which men may do us.

Fire Our Fathers, &c.

We beseech, &c.

FOURTH MYSTERY.

Again, from the sacred Head of Jesus Blood poured down when it was crowned with thorns, in punishment of our pride and evil thoughts. Shall we, then, continue to nurture haughtiness, foster foul imaginations, and feed the wayward will in our minds. Henceforth let there be ever before our eyes our utter nothingness, our misery, and our weakness; and with generous hearts let us resist all the wicked suggestions of the devil.

Five Our Fathers, &c.

We beseech, &c.

FIFTH MYSTERY.

How much of his Precious Blood did not our loving Lord pour forth from his veins when laden with the heavy wood of the cross on the mournful way to Calvary, so that the streets and ways of Jerusalem, through which he passed, were watered with it! this was done in satisfaction for the scandals and the bad examples by which his own creatures had led others astray on the way to ruin. Who can tell how many of us are of this unhappy number? Who knows how many he himself alone has by his own bad example brought down to hell? And have we done any thing to remedy this evil? Let us henceforth at least endeavour all we can to save souls by word and by example, making ourselves a pattern to all of good and holy life.

Five Our Fathers, &c.

We beseech, &c.

SIXTH MYSTERY.

Still more copiously the Redeemer of mankind shed Blood in his barbarous Crucifixion; when, his veins being rent and arteries burst, there rushed forth in a torrent, from his hands and his feet, that saving balm of life eternal, to pay for all the crimes and enormities of the universe. Whoever after this would continue in sin, and so renew the cruel crucifixion of the Son of God? Let us weep bitterly for our bad deeds, and let us detest them at the feet of the sacred minister of God; let us amend our evil ways, and henceforth begin a truly Christian life, with the thought ever in our hearts of all the Blood which our eternal salvation cost the Saviour of men.

Five Our Fathers, &c.

We beseech, &c.

SEVENTH MYSTERY.

Last of all, after his death, when his sacred Side was opened by the lance and his loving Heart was wounded, Jesus shed Blood, and with the Blood there came forth water, to show us how the Blood was all poured out to the last drop for our salvation. Oh, the infinite goodness of our Redeemer! Who will not love thee, my Saviour? What heart will not consume itself away for love of thee, who hast done all this for our redemption? The tongue wants words to praise thee: let us, then, invite all creatures upon earth, all angels and all saints in Paradise, and, most of all, our dear Mother Mary, to bless, to praise, and to celebrate thy most Precious Blood. Glory

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to the Blood of Jesus! Glory to the Blood of Jesus! now and ever throughout all ages. Amen.

At this last Mystery three Our Fathers and one Glory be, &c. are to be said, to make up the number of thirty-three. We beseech, &c. Then the following Prayer:

O most Precious Blood of eternal life, the remeon and redemption of the whole universe, the drink and bath of our souls, thou who art ever pleading the cause of men before the throne of God's sovereign mercy; I adore thee most profoundly, and desire, as far as it is in my power, to compensate thee for the insults and affronts which thou art continually receiving at the hands of men. especially of those who rashly dare to blaspheme thee. And who is there that will not bless this Blood of infinite value? Who is there that will not feel himself inflamed with love for Jesus, who shed it? What should I be if I had not been redeemed by this Divine Blood? What was it that drew thee forth from the veins of my Lord, even to the last drop? Ah! it was naught else but love. boundless love, that has given us this balsam of salvation! O balsam beyond price, streaming forth from the well-spring of a boundless love, grant, oh, grant that every heart and tongue may praise, and magnify, and bless thee, now and for ever, even unto the day of eternity. Amen.

y. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, with thy Blood.
By. And thou hast made us a kingdom unto our God.

O Almighty and Eternal God, who hast appointed thy only-begotten Son to be the Redeemer of the world, and hast willed to be appeared by his Blood; grant, we beseech thee, that we may so venerate upon earth the price of our salvation, and be shielded by its might from the evils of this present life, that we may enjoy it everlast-ingly in Heaven. Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Brayer to St. Lonatius, or any Confessor.

Hail, holy N., illustrious confessor and soldier of Christ, glory and adornment of his holy Church. Thou art the sweet budding rose of charity, the lily of purity, the beam-

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ing star of sanctity. Like the morning star in the midst of a cloud, and as the moon at the full, so didst thou shine forth in the splendour of thy virtues. O most blessed N., what thanks dost thou owe to God for all his gifts to thee, in that he chose thee from eternity in his unsearchable wisdom, justified thee freely, and made thee honourable and worthy of his grace; in that he hath delivered thee from all evil and misery in his strong and prevailing love, and hath made all the events of thy life. the evil as well as the good, work together unto thy good and thy salvation. Wherefore I give thanks to thy most loving Creator, and I magnify and extol with thee the omnipotence, the wisdom, and the goodness of the transcendently glorious Trinity, which has deigned to decree and give effect to thy predestination unto so great holiness, and to adorn thee together with himself with a crown of justice in the kingdom of his glory. O blessed N., most hely friend of Jesus, remember me, a miserable sinner, who invoke thee with all the devotion of my heart. I commend to thee my life and my death, and especially my last parting breath; beseeching thee, by that love where with thou didst cleave so fast to God and serve him so devoutly, that thou wouldst deign to offer to God in satisfaction for my sins all the mortifications, the susterities, and the penance which thou didst so willingly undertake and so lovingly accomplish for the glory of his name. Amen.

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THE SACRED HEART OF MARY—THE ASSUMPTION.

Debotion to the Sacred Heart of Mary.

Devotion to the heart of Mary is but the consequence of the devotion due to the Heart of Jesus. It is a consequence of that boundless love of Jesus for his most holy Mother, which leads him to share with her all his riches and honours, so far as they can be communicated to a creature. The Church never dissociates the Mother from her divine Son in the festivals which she celebrates to his honour. If she celebrates the mysteries of the Saviour, from his Incarnation to his Assension, she celebrates likewise all the mysteries of Mary, from her Conception to her Assumption. The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Mary is, therefore, but the natural consequence of that of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Let us love and honour these two Hearts, so intimately united; let us go to the Father through the Heart of Jesus; let us go to the Saviour through the Heart of Mary. Let us render to God the Father, through the Heart of Jesus, what we owe to his infinite justice and goodness; and let us render to God the Son, through the Heart of Mary, what we owe to his mercy, and all his benefits to us. We shall obtain every thing from the Father and the Holy Ghost through the Heart of Jesus, and we shall obtain every thing from the Son through the Heart of Mary. It is customary with many pious persons to dedicate the first Saturday in the month to the particular honour of the immaculate Heart of Mary, as the first Friday is devoted to the sacred Heart of To this end, they assist at Mass and make a spiritual communion, if they cannot communicate sacramentally, to thank God for all the graces he has bestowed upon Mary, and for the tender affection with which he has filled her Heart towards us. In the evening they visit some church or altar dedicated to the Blessed Virgin; or, if that be impossible, they pay a visit to her image in their own oratory, or elsewhere.

LITTLE CHAPLET IN HONOUR OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY.

Y. O God, bow down to aid me.
 BY. O Lord, make haste to help me.
 Glory be to the Father, &c. By. As it was, &c.

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1. Immaculate Virgin, who, being conceived without sin, didst direct every movement of thy pure Heart to God, ever the object of thy love and who wast ever most submissive to his will; obtain for me the grace to hate sin with my whole heart, and to learn of thee to live in perfect resignation to the will of God.

One Our Father, soven Hail Marys.

Heart of Mary, pierced with grief, set my heart on fire with the love of God.

2. Mary, I wonder at thy deep humility, troubling thy blessed Heart at the gracious message brought thee by Gabriel the Archangel,—how that thou wast chosen to be Mother of the Son of God most high,—and making thee proclaim thyself his humble handmaid; and, in great confusion at my pride, I ask thee for the grace of a contrite humbled heart, that, knowing my own misery, I may obtain that crown of glory promised to those who are truly humble of heart.

Our Father, &c.

3. Sweetest Heart of Mary, precious treasury, wherein the Blessed Virgin kept the words of Jesus whilst she thought upon the high mysteries which she had heard from the lips of her Son, and whereby she learned to live for God alone; how does the coldness of my heart confound me! Dearest Mother, obtain for me grace so to meditate within my heart upon the holy law of God, that I may strive to follow thee in the fervent practice of every Christian virtue.

Our Father, &c.

4. Glorious Queen of Martyrs, whose sacred Heart was cruelly transfixed in the bitter Passion of thy Son by the sword foretold by the holy old man Simeon; obtain for my heart true courage and a holy patience to bear well the troubles and adversities of this miserable life, and, by crucifying my flesh with its desires in following the mortification of the Cross, to show myself truly thy son.

Our Father, &c.

5. O Mary, mystic rose, whose loving Heart, burning with the living fire of charity, accepted us for thy sons at the foot of the Cross, whereby thou didst become our

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most tender Mother; make me feel the sweetness of thy maternal Heart, and thy power with Jesus in all the perils of this mortal life, and especially in the terrible hour of death, that so my heart, united with thine, may love Jesus now and throughout all ages.

Our Father, &c.

Let us entreat the most sacred Heart of Jesus to inflame us with his holy love.

O divine Heart of Jesus, I consecrate myself to thee, full of deep gratitude for the many blessings I have received, and daily receive, from thy infinite charity. I thank thee with my whole heart for having also vouch-safed to give me thine own Mother to be my Mother, consigning me to her in the person of the beloved disciple. Grant unto me that my heart may be ever ardently inflamed with this love of thee, and that it may ever find in thy most sweet Heart its peace, its refuge, and its happiness.

Indulgence of 300 days once a day. Plenary indulgence to all who have the devout custom of saying it once a day; to be gained once a month, on the day when, after confession and communion, they shall visit a church or public oratory, and pray there for the usual intentions.

An Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Mary.

O Heart of Mary, I honour thee as the heart most pleasing to our Lord, and most intimately united to him. I love thee as the heart of the best of mothers, and I rejoice in thy glorious prerogatives. Prostrate before thee, O Heart of Mary. I make thee this humble act of reparation for all the outrages which thou hast received from me and from all mankind. I humbly confess that I have been guilty of the greatest ingratitude towards thee; but seeing that, through thee, the divine mercy has so often had regard unto me. I venture even yet to hope that thou wilt not abandon me. In this sweet confidence I am animated by a most earnest desire to be more faithful and more devoted to thee. I pray thee to accept all the good that henceforth I am resolved to do, to present it to thy dear Son Jesus, so that, through thee, my most loving Saviour may pour down his benedictions more and more on me, and on all who are dear unto me. Amen.

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An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Mary.

O Heart of Mary, I offer, I consecrate, to thee my heart; thou shalt ever be the object of my veneration, love, and confidence; I will pay thee my devotions every day; I will celebrate thy feasts with joy; I will proclaim thy greatness and thy goodness without ceasing; I will neglect no means of obtaining thee the honour and the homage which are due unto thee; I will bring all the thoughts and affections of my heart into conformity with thine; and I will make it my duty to imitate thy virtues, especially thy purity and thy humility.

Vouchsafe, O Mary, to open to me thy Heart, and to receive me therein, in union with all thy dear and faithful children. Obtain for me the grace I need to imitate thee, as thou hast imitated Jesus Christ; succour me in all dangers, console me in all afflictions, and teach me how to make a holy use of all the goods and ills of life.

Amen.

Prayer of St. Gertrude to the Sacred Heart of Mary.

O immaculate Heart of Mary, I have nothing in myself to offer thee that is worthy of thee; but what thanks ought I not to pay thee, for all the favours which thou hast obtained for me from the Heart of Jesus! What reparation ought I not to make thee for all my tepidity in thy service! I desire to return thee love for love; the only good that I possess is the sacred Heart of Jesus, which thou thyself hast given me. I offer thee this treasure of infinite price; I cannot do more, and thou dost not deserve less at my hands; but, receiving from me this gift most precious in thy sight, be pleased, I beseech thee, to accept my heart, which I here offer to thee, and I shall be for ever blessed. Amen.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

O Heart of Mary, Mother of God, and our mother also; O Heart most worthy of love, in which the most holy Trinity is well pleased; O Heart worthy to be loved and honoured by angels and men, most similar to the sacred Heart of Jesus, whose clear and perfect image thou reflectest; O Heart of Mary, seat of mercy, full of the bowels of compassion towards us wretched creatures;

warm, I beseech thee, the cold hearts of thy children, and make them henceforth think of nothing, hove mothing, desire nothing, but only the Heart of Jesus Christ. Infuse into our breasts the love of thy virtues, and kindle in them the flame of thy unfailing charity. Westch over the Church, and continually defend it; be thou the sweet refuge of all fatthful Christians; be thou their impregnable tower, wherein they may abide course against the assaults of the enemy. Through thee, @ Heart of Mary, may we have speece to thy fron through thee may we obtain all graces persency to charact salvation. Assist us in all straits and necessities, comfort us when sorrowful, strengthen us when tempted, be thou our sefuge in persecution, our succour in danger; that especially at the hour of death, in our last mortal agony, when the powers of hell assail us that they may take away our soul, -in that terrible day, and at that tremendous hour, on which our eternity depends, then, O most compassionate Virgin, make thy servants feel the goodness of thy maternal Heart; then be mindful, we beseech thee, of that power which the Saviour of the world who was born of thee. hath given to thee. Grant us a most safe rement in the very fountain of menoy, that one sky we easy de made worthy to glorify, with thee in the heavens, the most sacred Heart of thy dear Son, for ever and ever. Amen.

May the divine Heart of Jeans and the immasulate Heart of Mary be always, and in all places, scknowledged, praised, blessed, loved, and faithfully honoured and glerified. Amen.

Pope Pius VII. granted to the faithful who should recite with devotion the preceding prayer, 1. An indulgence of 60 days, once a day. 2. A plemary indulgence on the feasts of the Assumption, the Nativity, and the Sacred Heart of Mary, to all who, having recited it for a year, shall perform the usual conditions of confession and communion, and visit a church, or at least an altar, dedicated to the Bleesed Vingin, to pray for the intentions of the Pope. 3. A plemary indulgence at the hour of death to all who shall have recited it frequently during their life. These indulgences are applicable to the souls in purgatory.

The Association of the Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The archoonfraternity under this title was established at Paris, in the church of Notre Dame des Victoires, December 16th, 1836. It was approved by the Pope, April 24th, 1838, with the privilege of aggregating to itself other similar associations. The primary object of the association is, to pray for the conversion of sinners and of persons in error, and God has been pleased to answer its prayers in a most remarkable manner.

All that is absolutely necessary on the part of each associate is, after registration of name, to recite every day the "Hail Mary" for the intentions of the association. The following pious exercises, though best suited to answer the ends of the association, are not strictly re-

quired:

An Act of Oblation to be recited daily.

I offer up to God all the thoughts, words, and actions of this day, and more particularly all my prayers and devotions, through the holy and immaculate Heart of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary; and I pray for the conversion of sinners, especially those who have been recommended to my prayers, and for the sanctification of all in this community.

Mary, refuge of sinners, pray for us.

Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who seek thy succour.

Hail Mary.

It is recommended further: 1. To communicate once a month. 2. To recite the Rosary once a week: both for the intentions of the Association. 3. To wear, as a badge, the medal of the Impaculate Conception. 4. To say often the

Memorare prayer.

The plenary indulgences granted to the associates, with the usual conditions, are: 1. On the day of admission. 2. At the hour of death. 3. On the Sunday before Septuagesima, the principal Feast of the Association. 4. On the Feast of our Lord's Circumcision. 5. On the Feast of the Purification, Annunciation, Assumption, Conception, Dolours, and Nativity of our Blessed Lady. 6. On the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. 7. On the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen. 8. On any two days of the month. 9. On the anniversary of their baptism.

There is also an indulgence of 500 days for all the members and other persons who assist at the Masses celebrated on Sa-

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turdays, in honour of the holy and immaculate Heart of Mary, in the church or chapel of the Confraternity, and there pray for the conversion of sinners.

The benefits of the Association extend beyond this life; for a Mass is celebrated for the deceased members at Notre Dame

des Victoires on the first Saturday of every month.

Considerations.

1. The Son of God died to save sinners, and we cannot imitate his charity more agreeably to him than by ever aiming at the same object.

2. Prayer is the most powerful means of drawing down from God the grace mesessary for it, and is, moreover, in

every body's power.

3. No intercession is so effectual as that of the blessed Mother of God : let us therefore seek it.

4. But then we must show true devotion towards her, by imitating her virtues, particularly the purity of her heart.

5. The good example which we shall thus give will greatly

forward the ends of the Association.

6. Let all the associates, therefore, encourage one smother in diligence, in virtue, in demont exercises, especially in frequenting the Sacraments, and ever discourage all sin and irregularity, whether in word or work.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Mary, p. 338.

Nobena of the Assumption.

1ST DAY, AUG. 6.

Veni Sancte, Holy Spirit, &c. Hymn No. 212.

Humn!

O'Ousen of all the Virgin choirf Enthroned above the starry sky; Who with pure milk from thy own bre Thy own Creator didst supply.

What man hath lest in hapless Eve, Thy sacreti womb to man restores; Thou to thy wretched here beneath, Hast open'd Heaven's eternal doors.

4 Music to willy mine and Melother," No. 280.

Hall, O refulgent Hall of light!

Hall, Gate sublime of Heaven's high King?
Through thee redeem'd to endless life,

Thy praise let all the nations sing.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright, Immortal glory he to thee; Praise to the Father infinite, And Holy Ghost eternally.

GLORE OF MARY ON DEATH.

She was well preserted to die.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary was at the moment of her death, because in little the was so well prepared to diec. first, by reason of her ardent longing to see him did and to be again and to her son; and next, by the ranapproachable merit of her son; summate perfection. These reflecting how different we are from Mary in our own practice of preparation for our death, let us say:

- 1. Most holy Wirgin, who, in order to prepare thyself for a holy death, didst live in continual desire after the beatific vision; oh, take from us all vain desires for the frail things of math. Three Hail Marys.
- 2. Most holy Virgin, who, in order to prepare thyself holling to die, didst in life ever sigh to be united to thy Son Jesus; ditain for us fidelity to Jesus, even unto death. Three Hall Marys.
- 3. Most holy Virgin, who, in order that thou mighteed die holily, didst attain an unapproachableheight of merit and of virtue; intercede for us, that we may know that virtue alone and the grape of God will lead us to salvation. Three Hail Marys.

Let us now give praise to Mary, so prudent in preparing for death; and whilst we enalt her glory, we will unite with the sine angel choirs who, on her kisemption into heaven, eccorted her; singing with the direct choir....

The Litany of Loretto, p. 312; then,

y. The holy Mother of God is exalted.

By Into the heavenly kingdom above the angel choirs.

We beseech thee, Lord, pardon the shortcomings of thy servants; that we who by our works are not able to please thee, may be saved by the intercession of the Mother of thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Who with thee and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God, world without end. Amen.

O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, graciously look down upon thy servant Pius, whom thou hast chosen to be the pastor of thy Church; and grant him, we beseech thee, both by word and example, so to direct those over whom thou hast placed him, that, together with the flock intrusted to his care, he may attain sternal life.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all holiness, listen to the pious prayers of thy Church, and grant that what we ask in faith we may effectually obtain. Through Christ our Loyd, Amen,

2D DAY, AUG. 7.

Veni Sancte and Hymn as before.

GLOBY OF MARY IN DEATH.

She died in the midst of the Apostles, her Son Jesus assisting.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary was at her death, in that she was comforted not only by the apostles and saints, but also by her dear Son Jesus; and while we contemplate the unspeakable joy which filled her soul at this grace granted alone to her, let us entreat her for ourselves:

- 1. Glorious Virgin, who for thy consolation didst merit to die in the blessed company of apostles and of saints; obtain for us, that when we breathe forth our souls we may feel thy presence, and that of our holy patrons, assisting us. Three Hail Marys.
- 2. Glorious Virgin, who at the moment of thy death wast comforted by the sight of thy dear Son Jesus; oh, pray for us, that at that awful moment we too may be comforted by receiving Jesus in the most holy Viaticum. Three Hail Marys.
 - 3. Glorious Virgin, who didst deposit thy spirit into

the arms of Jesus; assist us, that we may deposit our souls also into the arms of Jesus, always desirous that his most holy will be done. Three Hail Marys.

Come, then, let us magnify the glory of Mary, assisted at her death by her Son Jesus and his Apostles, and joining in jubilee at her triumph, say with the second choir of the Heavenly Host:

Litany, y. and Ry., and prayer as before.

3D DAY, AUG. 8.

Veni Sancte and Hymn as before.

GLORY OF MARY IN DEATH. She died in an ecstasy of love.

Let us meditate how glorious the most holy Mary was in her death, because she died of a very ecstasy of the love of God; and desiring that we too may be strengthened by that holy fire of love, let us ask for her help:

- 1. Mary, most happy Virgin, who didst die of the vehemence of thy love of God; make it thy care that in our hearts, as God doth will, there be lit up this living fire of his love. Three Hail Marvs.
- 2. Mary, most happy Virgin, who dying of divine love didst teach what our love of God ought to do; pray for us, that we may never leave our God in life or death. Three Hail Marvs.
- 3. Mary, most happy Virgin, who in leaving this mortal life by force of an ecstasy of love didst make known the fire which ever burnt within the heart; obtain for us, at least, a spark of that same fire, to give us true sorrow for our sins. Three Hail Marys.

Let us with the third choir of angels now exalt the ineffable glory of Mary, inflamed with the love of her God.

Litany, y. and B., and prayer as before.

4TH DAY, AUG. 9.

Veni Sancte and Hymn as before. GLORY OF MARY AFTER DEATH,

In her dead body.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary was in her dead

body; because it was adorned with marwellous splendour and majesty; and spread around an odour of sanctity, which was the very fragrancy of Paradise, and because innumerable miracles were wrought at the sight of it. Then, thisking upon our own miseries, let us say:

- 1. Of Lady most pure, who by reason of the virginal purity didst merit the glory to be so bright and so majestic in the body after death; obtain for us the strength to detach ourselves from every foul spirit of impurity. Three Hail Marys.
- 2. O Lady most pure, who by reason of thy rare virtue didst from thy dead body spread around the sweetness of Paradise; make it thy care that we may edify our neighbour by our life, and never more by our bad example become a stumbling block to others. Three Hail Marys.
- 3. O Lady most pure, at the sight of whose body numberless bodily maladies were cured; intercede for us, that by the prayers all our spiritual ills may be healed. Three Hail Marys.

Come, let us rejoice for the glory given to the dead body of Mary, magnifying her with the fourth choir of the angels.

Litany, V. and W., and prayer as before,

5TH DAY, AUG. 10.

Veni Sancte and Hymn.

CHORY OF MARY ARTERIDEATES.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary was after death, since by the power of the Mighest her bedy, raised again to life, forthwith acquired the four gifts of brightness, subtlety, agility, and impassibility; and, filled with consolation at the excellency of her glary, let us thus invoke her:

- 1. Lady exalted, who wast so gloriously raised again to life by thy God; help us so to live on earth, that we also may rise again like thee in the last judgment-day. Three Hail Marys.
 - · 2-, O Lady exalted, to whose risen body were given the

gifts of brightness and of subtlety, by reason of the bright example and the humility of thy life on earth; pray for us, that all contemptatous affectation may be taken out of us, that so our souls, being freed from all self-love, may be adorned with humility. Three Hail Maryse!

3. O Lady exalted, by the gifts of agility and impassibility with which they risen body was glorified by reason of the spiritual seal and patience while on earth; obtain for us courage valuantly to mertify our bodies, and patiently to curb all our disordinate inclinations. Three Hail Marys.

Then let us render due praise to Mary, and magnify the glory which adorned her risen body, while with the fifth choir we exalt her.

Litany, y. and Ry., and prayer as before:

6TH DAY, AUG. 11;...

Veni Sancte and Hymn.

GLORY OF MARY AFTER DEATH.

In her Assumption into heaven.

Let us meditate how gloriously Mary was taken up to heaven, being escorted thither by many legions of the heavenly hosts and blessed souls drawn by her merits out of Purgatory; and rejoicing in that majestic triumph, let us with all humility offer to her our supplications:

- 1. Great Queen, who wast assumed so royally into the kingdom of eternal peace; obtain for us that all sordid earthly thoughts be taken away from us, and that our hearts may be fixed upon the contemplation of the unchangeable happiness of heaven. Three Hail Marys.
- 2. Great Queen, who wast assumed to heaven amidst a company of the Angelie Hierarchy; obtain for usetrength to overcome the wiles of all our enemies, and that we may lend a docide ear to the counsels of that good Angel who continually assists and governs us. Three Hail Marys.
- 3. Great Queen, who wast assumed to heaven most gloriously, in the company of souls drawn by thy merits out of Purgatory, if free us from the slavery of sin, and make us worthy to praise thee for all eternity. Three Hail Marys.

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Let us not cease to applaud at the royal triumph of Mary; and uniting our homage with the sixth choir of the angels, let us honour the singular glory of her assumption into heaven, while we say:

Litany, Y. and Ry., and prayer as before.

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Veni Sencte and Hymn.

GLORY OF MARY AFTER DEATH.

In her Assumption into heaven.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary is in heaven, because she is enthroned there as Queen of the universe, and is ever receiving homage and veneration from countless hosts of angels and of saints; and assisting at her royal throne, let us implore her aid:

1. Sovereign Queen of the universe, who for thy incomparable meritart raised to such high glory in the heavens; in thy pity look upon our miseries, and rule us by the gentle sway of thy protection. Three Hail Marys.

2. Sovereign Queen of the universe, who art ever receiving the worship and homage from all the heavenly hosts; accept, we pray thee, these our invocations, offered with such reverence as befits thy dignity and greatness. Three Hail Marys.

3. Sovereign Queen of the universe; by that glory which thou hast by reason of thy high place in heaven, vouch-safe to take us into the number of thy servants, and obtain for us grace that, with quick and ready will, we may faithfully keep the precepts of our God and Lord. Three Hall Marys.

Let us take part in the joy of the angels praising Mary, and rejoice because we know that she is reised to the dignity of Queen of the universe; while with the seventh choir we sing:

Litany, y. and R., and prayer as before.

8TH DAY, AUG. 13. Veni Sancte and Hymn.

GLORY OF MARY AFTER DEATH.

For the crown which decks her brow.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary is in heaven by

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reason of the royal crown wherewith her divine Son hath crowned her, and for the full knowledge which she now has of the deep mysteries of God, past, present, and to come; and, full of veneration for the incomparable honour bestowed upon our Queen; let us have recourse to her and say:

1. Queen unrivalled, who in heaven on high dost enjoy the high glory of having been crowned by thy divine Son with a royal diadem; help us to share thy matchless virtues, and sak for us that, purified in heart, we may be made worthly to west a grown with thee in Paradise. Three Hail Marys:

Queen unrivalled in the full knowledge granted three
of all things upon earth; for thy glory's sake obtain parden fon our past evil deeds, that we may never offend
again by froward tengue or westen thought. Three Hail
Marya.

3. Queen unrivalled, whose desire it is to see men pure and clean of heart, that so they may be made worthy of thy God; obtain for us forgiveness of our sins, and help us, that all our looks, words, and deeds may please his heavenly Majesty. Three Hail Marys.

Let us then purify our hearts in order that we may be worthy to give praise to Mary; and to the glory she possesses in that brights crown which disks her reyal brow, let us add these humble tokens of our love, while with the eighth choir we joyfully sing:

Litany, y. and R., and prayer as before.

9TH DAY, AUG. 14. Veni Sencte and Hymn.

GHORY OF MARY APPER DEADE. In hen petromage of main.

Let us meditate how glorious Mary is in heaven, by reason of her patronage of man, and for the power she has to aid him, with great watchfulness in all his necessities; wherefore with lively confidence, in having for our patroness the very Mother of our God, let us with all our hearts present our supplications to her:

I. Mary, our most powerful Patroness, whose glory it is in heaven to be the advocate of men; oh, preserve us thy

children from the touch of the enemy of man, and place us safe in the arms of our God and our Creator. Three Hail Marys.

- 2. Mary, our most powerful Patroness, who, being in heaven the advocate of man, wouldest that all men should be saved; make it thy care that none of us be driven to despair at the sight of our past relapses into sin. Three Hail Marvs.
- 3. Mary, our most powerful Patroness, who, fulfilling thine office, dost love to be continually invoked by men; obtain for us the spirit of true devotion, and that we may ever call upon thee in life, and above all at the awful moment of our death. Three Hail Marys.

Now with all our hearts let us celebrate the glories of Mary; and consoled at having Mary for our advocate in heaven, let us join the ninth choir of the angels in praising her while we sing:

Litany, y. and R., and prayer as before.

Prayers to the Most Boly Crinity.

IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE PRIVILEGES BESTOWED ON MARY IN HER GLORIOUS ASSUMPTION.

Let us say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in

adoration of the Eternal Father.

In company with the whole court of heaven, I adore thee, O Eternal Father, as my Lord and my God, and I offer thee infinite thanks for all the graces and favours thou hast bestowed upon the most holy Virgin, thy beloved Daughter, and especially for that power with which thou didst enrich her in her assumption into heaven.

Let us say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in

adoration of the Eternal Son.

In company with the whole court of heaven, I adore thee, O Eternal Son, as my God, my Lord, and my Re-deemer, and I offer thee infinite thanks for all the graces and favours thou hast bestowed upon the most holy Virgin, thy beloved Mother, and especially for that sur-passing wisdom with which thou didst adorn her in her assumption into heaven.

Let us say one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, in

adoration of the Holy Spirit.

I adore thee, O Holy Spirit, as my God, and my Lord, and in company with the whole court of heaven I offer thee infinite thanks for all the graces and favours thou hast bestowed upon the blessed Virgin, thy most loving Spouse, and especially for that perfect and divine charity with which thou didst inflame her most pure and holy heart in her assumption into heaven. I humbly implore thee, in the name of thy immaculate Spouse, to grant me pardon for all the grievous sins I have committed, from the first moment I was able to sin till the present hour; I am exceeding sorry for all these my sins, and I firmly purpose to die rather than again offend thy Divine Majesty. By the exceeding great merits and powerful protection of thy loving Spouse, I beseech thee to grant me the precious gift of thy grace and divine love, together with those lights and especial aids through which thy eternal Providence has predetermined to save me and bring me to thyself.

Repeat three times:

Holy Mary, and all ye Saints of God, intercede for us with the Lord, that we may be made worthy of his assistance, and of eternal salvation.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Mary, p. 838.

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V. O God, stretch forth to aid me.
R. O Lord, make haste to help me.
Glory be to the Father.

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hely fear of God. Hail Mary.

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7. O most sorrowful Mary, I compassionate the convulsion which thy most loving heart experienced at the burial of Jesus. O beloved Mother, by this extreme grief of the sacred heart obtain for me the virtue of diligence and the gift of wisdom. Hail Mary.

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By. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ,

Let us pray.

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A perpetual indulgence of 300 days, applicable to the dead, to all Christians every time they shall recite the above exercise in honour of the sorrowful heart of the most blessed Virgin.

Rosary or Chaplet of the Seben Bolours.

WAY OF SAYING THE CHAPLET.

Act of Contrition.

O my Lord, thou who alone art most worthy of my love, behold me standing before thy divine presence utterly overwhelmed by the thought of the many grievous injuries I have done thee. I ask thy pardon for them, with my whole heart, repenting of them purely for love to thee, and at the thought of thy great goodness hating and loathing them above every other evil of this life. As I would rather have died a thousand times than have offended thee, so now I am most firmly resolved to lose my life rather than offend thee again. My crucified Jesus, I firmly purpose to cleanse my soul as soon as possible by thy most precious blood in the Sacrament of Penance.

And thou; most tender Virgin, Mother of Mercy and Refuge of sinners, do thou obtain for me the pardon of sin by virtue of thy bitter pains; whilst praying according to the mind of so many holy Pontiffs in order to obtain the indulgences granted to this thy holy Rosary, Lhope thereby to obtain remission of all pains due to my sins.

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and seven Hail Marys.

2. The flight into Egypt, One Our Eather and seven Hail Marya

3. The loss of Jesus for three days. One Our Father

and seven Hail Marys.

4. Her meeting Jesus, carrying his onoss. One Our Father and seven Hail Marys.

5. Her standing beneath the eross on Calvary. One

Our Father and seven Hail Marys.

6. Her receiving on her lap the secred body of Jesus taken down from the cross. One Our Kather and seven Hail Manys.

7. Her witnessing the burial of the sacred body of her

son. One Our Father and seven Hail Marvs.

In honour of the tears shed by our Lady during these dolours. Three Hail Marys.

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1. 200 days for each Our Father and Hail Mary, when recited in the churches of the Order of Servants of Mary.

2. 200 days for each Our Father and Hail, Many, when recited on Friday, on all the days of Lent, and on the Feast and Octave of the Seven Dolours, in any place whatseever.

3. 100 days for each recital, in any place, or at any time, together with seven years and seven quarantains.

4. Plenary, with the usual conditions, for those who have said it daily for a month.

5. 100 years for each recital.

6. 150 years on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

7. Plenary once a year for those who recite it at least four times a week.

8. 206 years for these who recite it after confession.

9. For those who frequently recite this Hosery, and have one about their persons, an indulgence of tem years each time they assist at Mass, hear sermons, accompany the Blessed Secrament to the sick, bring sinners to repeatence, it., and this same indulgence for those who perform some spiritual on corporal work in honour of our Blessed Lord, the Blessed Virgin, or their patron Saints, reciting at the same time seven Our Fathers and seven Hail Marys.

All these indulgences are applicable to the dead.

Exercise.

IN HOMOUR OF THE SCHROWEUL HEART OF MARY,

At the request of the Priests of the Pious Union of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, otherwise of St. Paul, Plus VII., by a Rescript, January 14th, 1815, grants a perpetual indulgence of 300 days, applicable to the dead, to all Christians every time that they shall recits the following pieus exercise in honour of the Somowful: Heart of the most Bleested Virgin. The Brancise may be recited in any language, grovided the version be faithful, as may be seen in another rescript, 26th September 1817, existing in the Archivea of the Rious Union named above.

THE EXHICIBES

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By. O Lord, make haste to help me.
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Litany of the Seven Dolours, p. 344. Litany of our Lady of Sorrows, p. 370.

To St. Miphael.

(Sept. 29.)

Hail, most glorious prince, Michael the Archangel! Hail, most noble leader of the heavenly host! Hail, honour and glory of the hierarchies of heaven! O most august prince, under what obligation dost thou lie to thy Creator, who, without any merit of thine own, hath endowed thee with such excellent might and adorned thee with such peerless virtues? O thou renowned warrior, thou ornament of Paradise, thou lustrous gem of the court of heaven, thou art the seal of likeness to God, full of wisdom and consummate in beauty. Every precious stone is thine adornment, and all the working of thy finished comeliness is of gold, in the delights of the Paradise of our God. Thou hast been appointed prince and captain to receive the souls of the elect, and to lead them into the Paradise of rejoicing. I recall to thy mind now, O most blessed prince, these and all other graces wherewith the boundless liberality of God hath enriched thee above all orders of angels; beseeching thee, by that mutual love which binds thy heart to the Divine Heart of Jesus, that thou wouldst deign to receive my soul at the moment of my departure, and to render the Judge propitious to me through thy intercession. Amen.

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MONTH OF THE ANGELS.

The Angelical Coolon in honour of St. Michael.

Let every one, according to his ability, make an act of sincere contrition by way of preface, kneeling before a representation of the holy Archanges; then let him say with the votion the following salutations;

. O God, bow down to aid me.

Ry. O Lord, make haste to help me. Glory, &c.

FIRST SALUTATION.

An Our Bather and three Hall Manys, to the First Angelic Choir.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Seraphim, may it please God to make us worthy to receive into our hearts the fire of his perfect charfty. Amen.

SECOND: SALUTATION.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Cherubim, may God grant us grace to abandon the ways of sin, and follow the path of Christian perfection. Amen.

THIRD SALUTATION.

As above.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the sacred choir of the Thrones, may it please God to infuse into our hearts a true and earnest spirit of humility. Assen.

FOURTH SALIPPATION.

As above.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly chair of the Dominations, may it please God to grant us grace to have dominion over our senses, and to correct our depraved passions. Amen.

TITTH SECUTATION.

As above.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the beavinly choir of the Powers, may God venchsafe to beep our souls from the wiles and temptations of the devil. Amen.

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At the intercession of St. Michael and the chair of the admirable celestial Wirtues, may our Lord been us from falling into temptation, and deliver us from swil. Amen.

SEVENTH SALUTATION.

As above.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of the Principalities, may it please God to fill our sculs with the spirit of true and hearty obedience. Amen.

LIGHTH SALUTATION.

As above.

At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of Archangels, may it please God to grant us the gift of perseverance in the faith and in all good works, that we may thereby be enabled to attain unto the glory of Paradise. Amen.

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At the intercession of St. Michael and the heavenly choir of Angels, may God wouchsafe to great us the safeconduct of the holy Angels through life, and after death a haruy entrance into the everlesting glory of heaven. Amen.

Then say four Our rathers in conclusion; the first to St. Michael, the second to St. Gabriel, the third to St. Raphael, the fourth to our Angel Guardian.

This exercise then ends with the following Antiphon and Prayer:

Michael, glorious prince, chief and champion of the heavenly host, guardian of the souls of men, conqueror of the rebel angels, steward of the palace of God, our worthy captain under Jesus Christ, endowed with superhuman. excellence and wires; voucheafe to free us all from every evil, who with full confidence have recourse to thee; and by thy powerful protection enable us to make progress every day in the faithful service of our God.

- y. Pray for us, most blessed Michael, Prince of the Church of Jesus Christ.
- . By. That we may be made worthy of his promises.

Almighty and eternal God, who in thine own marvellous goodness and pity didst, for the common salvation of mar, choose the glorious archangel Michael to be the Prince of thy Church; make us worthy, we pray thee, to be delivered by his beneficent protection from all our enemies, that at the hour of our death no one of them may approach to harm us, and that by the same archangel Michael we may be introduced into the presence of thy high and heavenly majesty. Through the merits of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HYMN. "TE SPLENDOR." &c.1

An indulgence of seven years and seven quarantines each

time for the following hymn.

A plenary indulgence once a month if said daily, after confession and communion, and prayers for the usual intentions. The same on the Feasts of St. Michael, May 18 and Sept. 29; St. Gabriel, March 18; St. Raphael, October 24;

Holy Angel Guardians, October 2.

To gain these indulgences, a Chaplet must be used consisting of nine Pater nosters, and three Ave Marias after each Pater noster, with four Pater nosters at the end; the above corresponding satutations being said at the same time in their proper order, with the antiphon and prayer also given above. These Chaplets must be blessed by the priest who has obtained faculties for this purpose.

O Jesu; life spring of the soul, The Father's pow'r, and glory bright! Thee with the angels we extol; From thee they draw their life and light,

Thy thousand thousand hosts are spread Embattled o'er the zuure sky; But Michael bears thy standard dread, And lifts the mighty cross on high.

He in that sign the rebel powers
Did with their dragon prince expel;
And hurl'd them from the heaven's high towers
Down like a thunderboit to hell.

¹ Music in "Hymne and Meledies," Nos. 16, 17, or 18.

'Grant as with Michael still. O Lord, Against she prince of pride to debt.; So may a crewn be our reward, Before the Lamb's pure throne of light.

To God the Father glory be, And to his sole begotten Son; The same, 0 Holy Ghost, to thee, While everlasting ages run.

Aut. Most glorious primes, Michael the archangel, be thou mindful of us; here, and in all places, pasy for us to the Son of God most high.

y. I will sing praises to thee, may God, before the angels.

Ry. I will adore thee in thy holy temple, and praise thy name.

Let us pray.

O God, whe in the dispensation of the providence dest admirately dispose the ministry of angels and of men; mercifully grant that the holy angels, who ever minister before the throne in heaven, may be the protectors also of our life on earth. Through Jeans Christ our Lend.

An indulgence of 200 days each day. A plenary indulgence if said every day for a month on any day after confession and communion, and prayer for the intension of the Saveseiga Pontiff.

The Angel Canadian.

While we give thanks to God for having granted to each of us a holy angel for our guardian, we ought ever to bear in mind the respect, devotion, and loving confidence we owe to this blessed spirit; and with these feelings we should often think of him, and implore his constant aid with the following invocation:

O angel of God, whom God hath appointed to be my guardian, enlighten and protect, direct and govern me.

Pope Pius VII., in order to kindle the fervour of the faithful to have frequent recourse; to their holy angel guardiagnanted: I. An includence of 100 days every time the above short prayer is said devoutly and with a contrite heart. 2. A plenary indulgence to those who have been accustomed to say it morning and evening throughout the year, on the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels, October 2; provided that

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on that day, after confession and communion, they visit a church or public oratory and pray for the Sovereign Pontiff.

3. A plenary indulgence, at the hour of death, to all who had been accustomed during life frequently to say the said prayer.

Pius VII. afterwards granted a plenary indulgence to all the faithful who say at least once a day, for a month together, the said prayer, "O angel of God," &c., on any one day when, after confession and communion, they visit a church

and pray as above.

Other Prayers to our Guardian Angel.

O most faithful companion, whom God has appointed to watch over me, my guide and protector, ever at my side. What thanks can I offer thee for thy love, thy constancy, and thy innumerable benefits? Thou watchest over me in sleep; thou consolest me in sorrow; thou raisest me when I fall; thou wardest off danger; thou preparest me for the future; thou withdrawest me from sin; thou urgest me to good; and movest me to do penance, and reconcilest me with my God. Already, perhaps. I should have been thrust into hell, unless thou by thy prayers hadst averted from me the dreadful wrath of God. Desert me not, then, I beseech thee; encourage me in adversity; restrain me in prosperity; protect me in dangers; and assist me in temptations, lest at any time I yield to them. Offer to the Divine Majesty all my prayers and sighs and works, and obtain for me the grace to die in the friendship of God, and so to enter into life eternal. Amen.

O most holy angel of God, appointed by him to be my guardian, I give thee thanks for all the benefits which thou hast ever bestowed on me in body and in soul. I praise and glorify thee that thou dost condescend to assist me, miserable and worthless as I am, with such patient fidelity, and to defend me against all the assaults of my enemies. Blessed be the hour in which thou wast assigned me for my guardian, my defender, and my patron. Blessed be all thy love to me, and all thy care for me, wherewith thou dost unwearyingly further my salvation. In acknowledgment and return of all thy loving ministries to me from my youth I offer thee the infinitely precious and noble Heart of Jesus, full and overflowing with all bless-

edness: beseeching thee to forgive me for having so often striven against thy holy inspirations, and saddened thee my nearest, dearest friend; and firmly purposing to obey thee henceforward, and most faithfully to serve my God. Amen. (St. Gertrude.)

Prayer to St. Gabriel.

O Gabriel, might of God, who didst announce to the Virgin Mary the incarnation of the only Son of God, and in the garden didst console and strengthen Christ oppressed with fear and sorrow; I praise thee, I worship thee, O chosen spirit, and humbly pray thee to be my advocate with Jesus Christ my Saviour, and with Mary, his blessed Virgin Mother; in all my trials do thou assist me, lest overcome by temptation I offend my God and Sovereign Good. Amen.

Prayer to St. Raphael:

O heavenly physician and faithful companion St. Raphael, who didst restore sight to the elder Tobias, and guide the younger in his long journey and preserve him in safety; be thou the physician of my soul and body, disperse the dark clouds of ignorance, defend me from the dangers of my earthly pilgrimage, and lead me to that heavenly country where, with thee, I may gaze for ever on the face of God. Amen.

Litany of Guardian Angels, p. 348.

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THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY.

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FOR THE RELIEF OF THE SOULS IN PURCATORY.

O most loving God, Father of mercies, God of inflate goodness, behold me tumbly prostrate before thy throne; I pray and beseech thee to have play on the body souls that are in the pains of Purgatory. Cast on them a took of mercy, free them from their pains, and put them in possession of the inheritance of heaven. Remember that they are the work of thy hands, redeemed by the most precious blood of thy divine Son Jesus; deal with them according to thine infinite mercy. Hear, O Lord, the prayer I make to thee with all confidence, through the merits of the passion and death of thy most dear Son Jesus, that they may be conseled, and may enjoy without delay that immortal glory which thou hast prepared for thine elect. O merciful Lord, have pity upon them, according to our trust in thee. Amen.

Prayers.

1. O most sweet Jesus, through the sweat of blood which thou sufferedst in the Garden of Gethsemane, have pity upon the holy souls in Purgatory, and in particular upon the one which was most devout to the most soly Trinity.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them:

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, Mother! turn, And call him by his tenderest names; Pray for the holy-works that turn. This hour amid the cleansing flames.

2. O most sweet Jesus, through the terments which

¹ Music in "Hymns and Melodies," No. 180 or 242.

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thou sufferedst in thy most cruel scourging, have pity upon those dear souls, and particularly upon the one which was most devout to thy most amiable heart.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, &c.

3. O most sweet Jesus, through the parigs which thou sufferedst in thy most painful crowning with thorns, have pity upon those dear souls, and particularly upon the one which was most devout to the immaculate heart of Mary.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, &c.

4. O most sweet Jesus, through the afflictions which thou sufferedst in carrying the Cross to Calvary, have pity upon those dear souls, and particularly upon the one which is nearest to its departure from that most painful prison.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, &c.

5. O most sweet Jesus, through the tortures which thou sufferedst in thy most cruel crucifixion, have pity upon those dear souls, and especially upon that one which thou knowest to be of them all the most destitute of special suffrages.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, &c.

6. O most sweet Jesus, through the pains which thou sufferedst in the most bitter agony which thou didst undergo upon the Cross, have pity upon those dear souls, and particularly upon the one which among them all would be the last to depart out of such excruciating pains.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them.

Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

O turn to Jesus, &c.

7. O most sweet Jesus, through that intense anguish which thou sufferedst, when thou didst breathe out thy blessed soul, have pity upon those dear souls, and parti-

cularly upon the one which has the greatest claims on me for help.

Have pity upon them, O Jesus, have pity upon them. Our Father, Hail Mary, and Eternal Rest, &c.

> O Mary, let thy Son no more His lingering sponses thus expect: God's children to their God restore, And to the Spirit his elect.

Hay see the children of thy tears; Then hasten, Mother, to their aid; In pity think each hour appears An age white glory is delayed.

Pray, then, as thou hast ever prayed; Angels and souls, all look to thee; fold waits thy prayers, for he hath made Those prayers his law of charity.

O turn to Jesus, Mother! turn, And call him by his tenderest names; Pray for the hely souls that burn This hour amid the cleansing flames.

Supplication to the most haly Mary.

To thee, O most holy Vingin Mary, my mother, I turn in supplication, and through that sword which pierced thy heart, when thou didst behold thy beloved Son Jesus Christ bow down his head and give up the ghost, I pray and implore thee, with the greatest confidence, to succour the poor holy souls in purgatory, and particularly those of which an especial commemoration has been made. O Mother of sorrows, O Queen of Martyra, for the love of Jesus who died for us upon the Cross, do thou with thy powerful prayers give succour also unto us, who are in danger not only of falling into purgatory, but even of losing ourselves for ever. O Mary, our dear mother, mother of grace, mother of mercy, have pity upon us.

Baculation to be repeated every day during the Octave.

O eternal Father, through the most precious blood of Jesus, and through the most bitter dolours of Mary, have pity and mercy upon the holy souls in purgatory.

For the Souls in Burgatory.

FOR SUNDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray thee by the precious blood

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which thy divine Son Jesus shed in the garden; set free the souls in Purgatory, and, among them all, especially the one which is most friendless, and conduct it to thy glory, where it may praise thee and bless thee for eternity. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary.
Psalm, De Profundis, Out of the depths, &c.

Prayer.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins, that through pious supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired; who livest and reignest with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Y. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord.
 RY. And let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace. Amen.

MOMBAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray thee, through the precious blood which thy divine Son Jesus shed in his cruel scourging; set free the souls in Purgatory, and, among them all, especially the one which is nearest to its entry into thy glory, in order that it may speedily begin to praise thee and to bless thee for eternity. Amen. Our Father, &c.

TUESDAY.

O Lord Goil Alenlghty, I supplicate thee, through the precious blood which they divine Son Jesus shed in his bitter crowning with thorns; set free the souls in Purgatory, and in particular, among them all the one which would have to be the last to depart from such grievous pains, to the end that it may not delay so long to praise thee in thy glory, and to bless thee for ever. Amen. Our Rather, &c.

WEDNESDAY.

O Lord God histology, I pray thee, through the precious blood which thy divine fon Jesus shed through the streets of Jerusalem, in carrying the cross on his sacred shoulders; set free the souls in Purgatory, and especially

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the one which is the richest in merits before thee, in order that in the sublime height of glory which it expects, it may loudly praise thee and bless thee for ever. Amen. Our Father, &c.

THURSDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I supplicate thee, through the precious body and blood of thy divine Son Jesus, which he himself on the eve of his passion gave erewhile for meat and drink to his dear Apostles, and left to all his Church as a perpetual sacrifice and life-giving food for his faithful; set free the souls in Purgatory, and most of all the one most devout to this mystery of infinite love; in order that it may praise thee for it with thy divine Son, and with the Holy Ghost in thy glory for ever. Amen. Our Father, &c.

FRIDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I pray thee, through the precious blood which thy divine Son Jesus shed on this day on the altar of the cross, especially from his most holy hands and feet; set free the souls in Purgatory, and especially the one for which I ought most to pray to thee; in order that it may not be owing to my fault that thou dost not quickly take it to praise thee in thy glory, and to bless thee for ever. Amen. Our Father, &c.

SATURDAY.

O Lord God Almighty, I supplicate thee, through the precious blood which poured forth from the side of thy divine Son Jesus, in the sight and to the exceeding suffering of his most holy Mother; set free the souls in Purgatory, and especially, among them all, the one which was most devout to this great Queen; in order that it may speedily come to thy glary to praise thee in her, and her in thee for all eternity. Amen. Our Father, &c.,

Indulgences: 100 days each time. Applicable to the dead.

Brayers for a Happy Bedth.

O Lord Jesus, God of goodness, and Father of mercies, I draw nigh to thee with a contrite and humble heart: to

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thee I recommend the last hour of my life, and that judgment which awaits me afterwards.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my feet, benumbed with death, shall admonish me that my course in this life is drawing to an end.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my hands, cold and trembling, shall no longer be able to clasp the crucifix, and shall let it fall against my will on my bed of suffering.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my eyes, dim and troubled at the approach of death, shall fix themselves on thee, my last and only support.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

. When my lips, cold and trembling, pronounce for the last time thy adorable name.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my face, pale and livid, shall inspire the beholders with pity and dismay; when my hair, bathed in the sweat of death, and stiffening on my head, shall forebode my approaching end,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my ears, soon to be for ever thut to the discourse of men, shall be open to that irrevocable decree which is to fix my doom for all eternity,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me. When my imagination, agitated by dreadful spectres, shall be sunk in an abyss of anguish; when my soul, affrighted with the sight of my iniquities and the terrors of thy judgments, shall have to fight against the angel of darkness, who will endeavour to conceal from my eyes thy mercies, and to plunge me into despair,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my poor heart, oppressed with suffering and exhausted by its continual struggles with the enemies of its salvation, shall feel the pangs of death,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When the last tear, the forerunner of my dissolution, shall drop from my eyes, receive it as a sacrifice of expiation for my sins; grant that I may expire the victim of penance; and in that dreadful moment,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my friends and relations, encircling my bed, shall

be moved with compassion for me, and invoke thy clemency in my behalf,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When I shall have lost the use of my senses, when the world shall have vanished from my sight, when my agonising soul shall feel the sorrows of death,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my last sighs shall force my soul to issue from my body, accept them as the children of a loving impatience to come to thee,

Mereiful Jesus, have merey on me.

When my soul, trembling on my lips, shall bid adisu to the world, and leave my body lifeless, pale, and cold, receive this separation as a homage which I willingly pay to thy divine majesty, and in that last moment of my mortal life.

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When at length my soul, admitted to thy presence, shall first behold the splendour of thy majesty, reject me not, but receive me into thy bosom, where I may for ever sing thy praises; and in that moment when eternity shall begin to me,

Merciful Jesus, have mercy on me,

Let us pray.

O God, who hast doomed all men to die, but hast concealed from all the hour of their death; grant that I may pass my days in the practice of holiness and justice, and that I may deserve to quit this world in the peace of a good conscience, and in the embrace of thy love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Indulgences: 100 days once a days. Plenary, with the usual conditions, and applicable to the dead, once a mouth, for those who have recited this Litany daily during the month.

Prayers for Deliberance from Unprepared Death.

1. Hear us, O God of our salvation, and issue not the decree for the completion of our days before thou forgivest us our sins; and because penance avails not in hell, and there is no room for amendment in the pit,

therefore we humbly pray and beseech thee here on earth, that giving us time to pray for parden, thou wouldst give us also forgiveness of our sins. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

2. Take away, merciful Lord, all errors from thy faithful people, avert from them the sudden destruction of the wasting pestilence; and those whose wanderings thou dost justly chastise, do thou mercifully pity when corrected. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ANTIPHONS.

Sin no longer, O my soul; think upon the sadden change from sin to endless torments. There, in hell, penance is not accepted, and tears profit not. Turn, then, whilst thou hast time; cry out and say, Have mercy upon me, O my God.

In the midst of life we are in death; but to whom can we look to be our helper save thee, O Lord, who artjustly angry with us because of our sins? O holy God, holy and strong, holy and merciful Saviour, deliver us not over to a bitter death.

- y. Lest, overtaken by the day of death, we seek time for penance, and be unable to find it.
- R. Hearken, O Lord, and have mercy on us; for we have sinned against thee.
- 3. We beseech thee, Almighty God, receive in thy fatherly pity thy people who fice unto thee from thine anger; that those who fear to be chastised by the rod of thy majesty through sudden death, may be made worthy to rejoice in thy pardon. Though our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.
- 4. We beseech thee, Almighty God, graciously incline thine ear to the assembly of thy Church, and let thy mercy to us go before thime anger; for if thou shouldst mark iniquities, there shall no creature be able to stand before thee: but in that same admirable charity whereby thou didst create us, pardon us sinners, and destroy not the vork of thine own hands by sudden death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.
 - 5. Hear our prayers, O Lord, and enter not into judg-

For one lately deceased.

Absolve, we beseech thee, O Lord, the soul of thy servant N. from every boud of sin, that, being raised in the glory of the resurrection, he may be refreshed among thy Saints and Elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For a Bishop or Priest.

O God, who, amongst apostolic priests, hast adorned thy servant N. with the pontifical (or sacerdotal) dignity, grant, we beseech thee, that he may also be associated with them in everlasting fellowship. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Father and Mother.

O God, who hast commanded us to honour our father and mother, have compassion, in thy mercy, on the souls of my father and mother; forgive them their sins, and grant that I may see them in the joy of eternal brightness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Friends and Benefactors.

O God, bountiful in forgiving, and lovingly desirous of man's salvation, we humbly beseech thy mercy in behalf of our friends, relations, and benefactors, who have passed from this world, that, through the intercession of blessed Mary ever Virgin and all the Saints, thou wouldst permit them to come to the full participation of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For all that lie in a church or churchyard.

O God, by whose mercy the souls of the faithful find rest, mercifully grant to the servants N. N., and to all that, here and every where, have slept in Christ, the pardon of their sins, that, absolved from all guilt, they may rejoice with thee for all eternity. Through the sam Christ our Lord. Amen.

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For a Man deceased.

Incline thine ear, O Lord, to our prayers, wherewith we humbly beseech thy mercy, that thou wouldst grant to the soul of thy servant N., which thou hast commanded to depart out of this world, a place in the region of light and peace, and wouldst make it the associate of thy Saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For a Woman deceased.

Have mercy, we beseech thee, O Lord, according to thy goodness, on the soul of thy servant N., that, being delivered from the corruptions of mortality, it may be restored to the inheritance of everlasting salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.

For many deceased.

We offer to thee, O Lord, our most humble supplications in behalf of the souls of thy servants; beseeching thee, that whatever defilements they have contracted in this mortal life, thou wouldst mercifully pardon, and wouldst set them in the abode of thy redeemed and blessed ones. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

An Invocation of the Most Holy Crinity for the Souls in Burgatory.

O Gop of all goodness, Father of mercies, who, at the prayers and fastings of thy faithful people, didst vouch-safe to send thy Angels to break asunder the fetters of thy holy apostle Peter, and to open the doors of his prison; hear even also on this day the prayers and supplications of thy Church, and send thy Angel to the souls for whom we pray, that, the doors of their prison being.

opened wide, they may be happily received into the

bosom of thy mercy. Rater. Ave, Gloria.
O Son of God, Saviour of souls, who didst refresh the three children in the burning flary furnace; your down upon the souls, that:cry to thee from the flames, thy heavenly daw. Thy precious blood alone can quench the flames of purgetory; oh, let it new flow down upon these. suffering souls and do thou O Lord have mercy upon

them. Pates, Awe, Gioria.
O Spirit of love, have compassion on the cruel torment which these souls endure, that are filled with the purest charity, and, aspiring without ceasing towards their God. cry aloud in their distress, "I thirst: I thirst after my God?" and yet cannot attain unto the object of their love, nor receive the least drop of that torrent of pure delights. O Holy Spirit, grant that having felt the fiercest pange of love, they may taste its heavenly delights in a blessed eternity. Amon. Pater, Ave. Gleria.

Praper that may be used by surbibing Friends.

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that while we lament the departure of thy servant, we may always remember that we are most certainly to follow kim. Give us grace to prepare for that last hour by a good and holy life, that we may not be taken unprepared by sudden death. but may be ever on the watch, that, when thou shall call, we may go forth to meet the bridegroom, and enter with him into glory everlasting. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O most wise and merciful Lord, who hast ordained this life as a passage to the future, confining our repentance to the time of our pilgrimage here, and reserving for hereafter the state of punishment and reward; vouchsafe to us who are yet alive, and have still the opportunity of reconciliation with thee, the grace so to watch over all our actions, and to correct every slightest wandering from the true way to heaven, that we may not be surprised with our sins uncancelled or our duties unfulfilled: but when our bodies shall go down into the grave, our souls may ascend to thee, and dwell with thee for ever in the mansions of eternal bliss. Through Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour. Amen.

To all the Saints.

O all ye Saints of God, and ye especially, my most beloved Patrons, I salute and venerate you with the most profound affection of my heart, I adore and bless the infinite goodness and condescension of the ever-adorable Trinity for all the grace which has ever flowed forth from that unfathomable overflowing abyss for your salvation; beseeching you all in general and each one of you in particular, that you would deign to offer in sacrifice to the bright and ever-peaceful Trinity, in satisfaction for all my negligence and unworthiness, all that fervent zeal and preparedness with which you stood perfect and consummate in the presence of the glory of God on the day of your entrance into heaven, to receive your everlasting reward. (St. Gertrude.)

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Rorate, Cæli.

(ADVENT.)

Rorate, celli, desuper, et nubes pluant Justum.

Ne irasearis, Domine, et ne ultra memineris iniquitatis: ecce, civitas sancti facta est desertas. Sion deserta facta est: Jerusalem desolata est: domus sanctificationis tuæ et gloriæ tuæ, ubi laudaverunt te patres nostri.

Rorate, &c.

Peccavimus, et facti surrus tamquam immundi nos: et cecidimus quasi folium universi, et iniquitates nostræ quasi ventus abstulerunt nos: abscondisti faciem tuam a nobis, et allisisti nos in manu iniquitatis nostræ.

Rorate, &c.

Vide, Domine, afflictionem populi tui, et mitte quem missurus es: emitte Agnum dominatorem terræ, de Petra deserti, ad montem filiæ Sion: ut auferat ipse jugum captivitatis nostræ.

Rorate, &c.

Consolamini, consolamini, popule meus: cito venieti salus tua: quare mœrore consumeris? quia innovavit te dolor: salvabo te: noli timere: ego enim sum Dominus Deus taus, Sanctus Israel, Redemptor tuus.

Rorate, &c.

Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down the Just One.

Be not very snary, O Lerd, and remember no longer our iniquity: beheld, thy holy city is become deserted: Sion is become a desert. Jerusalem is desolate: the house of thy sauctification and of thy glory, where our fathers praised thee.

We have sinned, and are become as unclean: and we have sil fallen as a leaf, and our iniquities like the wind have carried us away: thou hast hidden thy face from us, and hast crushed us in the hand of our iniquity.

Behold, O Lord, the affliction of thy people, and send forth him who is to come: send forth the Lamb, the ruler of the earth, from Petra of the desert, to the mount of the daughter of Sien: that he may take away the yoke of our captivity.

Be comforted, be comforted, my people: thy salvation cometh quickly: why with grief art theu consumed? for sorrow hath stricken thee: I will save thee, fear not: for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Re-

deemer.

December.

ADVENT—IMMACULATE CONCEPTION— NATIVITY.

Crawn of the Civelbe Stars,

OR ROSARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

Let us praise and bless the most holy Trinity, for having shown to us the Virgin Mary clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and with a mysterious crown of twelve stars upon her head.

Ry. For ever and ever. Amen.

Let us praise and bless the divine Father, for having chosen her as his daughter.

Ry. Amen. Our Father.

Praised be the divine Father, for having predestined her to be the Mother of his divine Son.

RJ. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Father, for having preserved her from all sin in her Conception.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Father, for having adorned her with the highest gifts in her Nativity.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Father, for having given her St. Joseph as a most pure spouse and companion.

R. Amen. Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father. Let us praise and bless the divine Son, for having

chosen her for his Mother.

Ry. Amen. Our Father.

Praised be the divine Son, for having become incarnate in her womb, and for having remained there nine months.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Son, for having been born of her, and for having given her her milk wherewith to nourish him.

By. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Son, for having been pleased in his childhood to be educated by her.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the divine Son, for having revealed to her the mysteries of the redemption of the world.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

Let us praise and bless the Holy Ghost, for having

taken her for his spouse.

R. Amen. Our Father.

Praised be the Holy Ghost, for having revealed to her for the first time his name of Holy Ghost.

Ry. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the Holy Ghost, through whose operation she was at once Virgin and Mother.

By. Amen. Hail Mary.

Praised be the Holy Ghost, through whose power she became the living temple of the most holy Trinity.

W. Amen. Hail Mary.
Praised be the Holy Ghost, by whom she was exalted in

Heaven above all creatures. Ry. Amen. Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father.

For the holy Catholic Church, for the propagation of the faith, for peace among Christian princes, and for the extirpation of heresies, let us say the Salve Regina, Hail, holy Queen, &c. (p. 55).

100 days' indulgence each time.

Bobena .

IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

(Beginning Nov. 29.)1

EVERY DAY.

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle within them the fire of thy love.

y. Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created.

Ry. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth,

Let us pray.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of thy Holy Spirit, grant to us in the same spirit wrelish what is right, and ever to rejoice in his consolation.

I Indulgences: 300 days each day; plenary once on the Feast, of during the Octave. Applicable to the dead.—PIUS VII.

Prevent our actions, we beseech thee, O Lord, by thy inspiration, and further them by thy continual help: that every prayer and work of ours may begin from thee, and by thee be happily ended, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same spirit, God, world without end. Amen.

PREPARATORY PRAYER.

.. ' [To be said every day.]

O most pure Virgin, conceived without sin, and from that very first instant entirely beautiful and without spot, O glorious Mary, full of grace, and Mother of my God, Queen of Angels and of men, I humbly worship thee as Mother of my Saviour, inasmuch as God has taught me by the esteem he has for thee, and by his respect and submission towards thee, what honours and what homage I ought to render thee, deign, I beseech thee, to accept this Novena which I consecrate to thee. Thou art the secure refuge of penitent sinners, and I therefore may rightly have recourse to thee; thou art the Mother of Mercy, and therefore thou canst not but be melted into tenderness by my miseries; thou, after Jesus Christ, art all my hope; thou canst not, then, but be pleased with the tender confidence which I have in thee. Make me worthy to be called thy son, that I may be able to say with confidence. Shew thyself to be a Mother.

Here are to be said nine Hail Marys and a Glory to the Father, and then the following

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST DAY,

The 22th of November.

Behold me at thy most holy feet, O immaculate Virgin. I rejoice with thee exceedingly that from all eternity thou hast been chosen to be the Mother of the Eternal Word, and been preserved from original sin. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having enriched thee with these privileges in thy conception; and I humbly implore thee to obtain for me grace to overcome those sad effects which original sin has wrought in me. Ah, do thou enable me to conquer them, and never more to cause to love my God.

Here is to be recited the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, or the following

HYMN.

ў. Tota pulchra es, Maria. Rr. Tosa pulchra es, Maria.

B. Tesa pulchra es, Maria. E. Et macula originalis non

est in te.
Ry. Et macula originalis non

est in te. *Tu gloria Jerusalem.

Br. Tu letitia Israel.

y. Tu honorificentia populi mestri.

By. Tu advocate peccatorum.

₮. O Maris.

R. O Maria. Y. Virgo prudentissima.

B. Mater clementissima.

V. Oraspro nobis.

R. Intercede promobis ad Do-

minum Jesum Christum.

immusquata fuish.

Ry. Ora pro nobis Patrem cujus Filium peperisti.

y. Thou art all fair, O Mary. By. Thou art all fair, O Mary.

y. And the original stain is not in thee.

By. And the original stain is not in thee.

Thou art the glory of Jerucalem. [rael.

By. Thou are the joy of Is-

honour.

By Thou the advocate of sin-

ners. **Y.** O Mary.

By, O Mary.

y. Virgin prudent above all.

By. Mother too most merciful.

Rt. Intercede for us with Je-

sus Christ our Lord,

Virgin, thou wast immaculate,

Ry. Pray for us to the Father, whose Son thou didst

Let us pray.

O God, who by the Virgin's immaculate conception didst prepare a worthy dwelling for thy Son, we beseech thee, that thou, who, by the death of that same Son of thine, foreseen by thee, didst preserve her from every stain, wouldst grant that by her interession we also may be purified; and so come to thee.

Then the following :

G God, the shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look mercifully down on the servant Pius, whom then hast chosen to be the shepherd of the Church. Grant, we besedch thee, that he may both by word and example benefit those over whom he governs, that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to life eyerlasting.

O God, our refuge and our strength listen to the hely mayers thy Church, who art divest the author of holiness, and grant

that what we faithfully ask for we may efficaciously obtain, through Christ our Lord.

Il. Amen.

On the other days, let every thing be said as above, except the following Prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND DAY.

The 30th of November.

O Mary, immaculate lily of purity, I congratulate thee, that from the very first instant of thy conception thou hast been filled with grace, and also that the perfect use of reason was conferred upon thee. I thank and adore the most holy Trinity for having imparted to thee graces so sublime; and I am utterly confounded before thee to see myself so poor in grace. Do theu, who wast so entirely filled with heavenly grace, give some portion of it to my soul, and make me a partaker of the treasures of thy immaculate conception.

Here the Litany or Hymn, "Tota Pulchra," as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE THIRD DAY.

The 1st of December.

O Mary, mystical rose of purity, I rejoice with thee that thou didst gloriously triumph in thy immaculate conception over the infernal serpent, and that thou wast conceived without stain of original sin. I thank and praise with all my heart the most holy Trinity for having granted to thee such a privilege; and I implore thee to obtain for me courage to overcome every device of the infernal enemy, and not to stain my soul with sin. Ah, do thou always assist me; and let me, under thy protection; ever triumph over the common enemies of our eternal salvation.

Here the blimm, or Humn, as about, is to be said.

PRHYER FOR THE POURTH DAY.

The 2d of December.

O immeculate Virgin Mary, mirror of purity, I rejoice with the utwost joy to see that the most sublime and perfect virtues have been from thy first conception infused into the with them all the gifts of the Holy Spirit. I that the most holy Trinity for having favoured thee with these privileges; and I implore thee, O gracious Mother, to obtain for me the practice of virtues, and to render me thus worthy to receive the gifts and the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE FIFTH DAY, The 3d of December.

O Mary, bright moon of purity, I congratulate with thee, inasmuch as the mystery of thy immaculate conception was the beginning of the salvation of all the human race and the joy of the whole world. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having so exalted and glorified thy person; and I implore thee to obtain for me grace to know how to profit by the passion and death of thy Jesus, and that the blood shed upon the Cross may not be unavailing for me, but that I may live holily and be saved.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE SIXTH DAY,

The 4th of December.

O immaculate Mary, most resplendent star of purity, I rejoice with thee that thy immaculate conception has brought a most exceeding joy to all the angels of paradise. I thank and bless the most holy Trinity for having enriched thee with so beautiful a privilege. Ah, grant that I may enter one day into a participation of that joy, and may be able, in the company of the angels, to praise and bless thee for eternity.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVENTH DAY,

The 5th of December.

O immaculate Mary, rising morn of purity, I rejoice with thee, and am glad that in the moment of thy conception thou wast confirmed in grace and made incapable of sin. I thank and extol the most holy Trinity for having distinguished thee alone with this special privilege. Ah, obtain for me, O holy Virgin, an entire and constant abborrence of sin above every other evil, and that I may sooner die than commit it any more.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE EIGHTH DAY,

The 6th of December.

O Virgin Mary, sun without spot, I congratulate thee, and rejoice that in thy conception a greater, and more abundant grace was bestowed upon thee than all the angels and saints possessed in the fulness of their merits. I thank and admire the sowereign goodness of the most holy Trinity in having enriched thee with this privilege. Ah, enable me to correspond to divine grace, and never more abuse it! Change my heart, and let me from this moment begin to amend my tile.

Mere the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

PRAYER FOR THE MINTH DAY,

The 7th of December.

O immaculate Virgin and Mother Mary, Hving fight of holimess and model of purity, thou, when scarcety yet conceived, didst profoundly adore God and thank him, because by thy means, the ancient curse being taken away, the fulness of blessing was coming upon the children of Adam. Ah, let this blessing enkindle in my heart a love of God? Do thou influent it, that I may love him constantly, and then enjoy him etermally in paradise, where I may be able to thank him snore ardently for the singular privileges granted to thee, and behald thee also crowned as thou art with such exceeding glery.

Here the Litany, or the Hymn, as above, is to be said.

FOR ASSISTING AT OR SAYING THE DIVINE OFFICE ON CHRISTMAS-DAY.

In order to increase the devotion of all faithful Christians towards the feast of the birthday of our divine Saviour Jesus Clarist, and that they may celebrate it with spiritual profit to their souls, Pope Sixtus V., by his brief, Ut fidelium desotio, dated Oct. 22, 1586, granted the following indulgences, viz. 1. The indulgence of 100 years to all those who, being truly penitent, having confessed and semunuaissted, shall recite the Divine Office on that day, or assist in person in any church where Matins and Lauds are said. 2. 100 years indulgence for the Mass, and the same for first and second Vespers. 3. The indulgence of 40 years for each of the hours of Prime, Tierce, Sext, None, and Compline.

Three Offerings of the Precious Blood,

- In thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which the most holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God, was enriched, more especially those which she received in her Immaculate Conception.
- 1. Eternal Father, in union with the most holy and immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with, and in the name of, all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer thee the most precious blood of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which thou hast enriched Mary, as thy most obedient Daughter, particularly in her immaculate conception. I offer thee also this precious blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of thy holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

2. Eternal and Incarnate Word, in union with the most holy and immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with, and in the name of, all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer thee thine own most precious blood, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which thou hast enriched Mary, as thy most loving Mother, particularly in her immaculate conception. I offer thee also this precious blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of thy holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Glory, &c.

3. Holy and Eternal Spirit, in union with the most holy and immaculate Virgin, and in her name, and in union with, and in the name of, all the blessed in heaven, and of all the elect upon earth, I offer thee the most precious blood of Jesus, in thanksgiving for the gifts and privileges with which thou hast enriched Mary, as thy most faithful Spouse, particularly in her immaculate conception. I offer thee also this precious blood for the conversion of poor sinners, for the propagation and exaltation of thy holy Church, for the safety and prosperity of our chief pastor the Bishop of Rome, and according to his intentions.

Glory, &c.

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Prayer to the most holy Virgin.

Mary, Mother of God, most holy and immaculate Virgin, by the love thou dost ever bear to God, by the gratitude thou hast towards him, for the manifold graces and favours with which thou wast enriched by him, particularly for the privilege granted to thee alone of thy immaculate conception, and by the infinite merits of Jesus Christ, thy divine Son our Lord, we pray thee most earnestly to obtain for us a most perfect and constant devotion towards thyself, and a full trust that through thy most mighty intercession we shall receive all the graces which we ask; certain henceforth of obtaining them from thy great goodness, with hearts overflowing with joy and thankfulness we venerate thee, repeating the salutation which the holy archangel Gabriel made to thee.

Hail Mary.

An indulgence of 300 days every time the offerings are said with contrition, together with the accompanying prayer

· to the Blessed Virgin.

2. A plenary indulgence to all who say them every day for an entire month, to be gained on that day when, after confession and communion, they shall visit a church or public oratory, and pray there for a time according to the intention of his Holiness.

Lobena

IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS.

The Novena is to be begun on the 16th day of every month.

1. Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to thy honour and glory, and for my own salvation, and for the salvation of all the world, the mystery of the birth of our divine Saviour.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

2. Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the sufferings of the most holy Virgin and of St. Joseph in that long and weary journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem; I offer thee their anxiety of heart when they found no place wherein to shelter themselves, when the Saviour of the world was to be born.

Glory, &c.

3. Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to thy honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the stable where Jesus was born, the hard straw which served him for a bed, the cold he suffered, the swadding clothes which bound him, the tears he shed, and his tender infant cries. Glory, &c.

4. Offering. Riemal Father, I offer to the honour and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the pain which the holy child Jesus felt in his tender infant body when he submitted it to the keen knife of circumcision; I offer the that precious blood which then first he shed for the salvation of the whole race of wan.

Glory, &c.

5. Offering. Eternal Father, I offer to the innoun and glory, and for my eternal salvation, the knowledge, mortification, patience, charity, all the virtues of the child Jesus; and I thank thee, and I love thee, and I bless thee without end, for this ineffable mystery of the incarnation of the Divine Word.

Glory, &c.

V. The Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

O God, whose only begotten Son was made manifest to us in the substance of our flesh; grant, we beseech thee, that through him our souls may be inwardly renewed, whom our eyes have seen externally like unto ourselves; who livest and reignest with thee for ever and ever. Amen.

An indulgence of one year, to be gained each day of this Novena, which may be made either in public or private, nine days previous to the 25th day of any month; provided that the faithful assist at it with a contrite heart (Pius IX.).

Prayers to Jestis, Mary, and Joseph,

TO BE BAID ON THE 25TH DAY OF EACH MONTH.

Act of Offering to the Most Holy Infant,

Bor the 26th of each Month.

O most holy Infant Jesus, I, though a most saworthy sinner, desiring nevertheless to honour thy most adorable Infancy, which was the first state upon earth to which

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thou didst subject thyself for my salvation, choose thee this day in the presence of thy blessed Virgin Mother Mary, and of St. Joseph, thy most faithful Foster-Father, as my King and my Lord; and I firmly purpose to love and serve thee always, and to honour thee especially in this state in which thou, O Word Eternal, Immense, and Infinite, wert born a little babe for the love of me. Ah! be pleased, O most loving Babe, to bless this my respectful offering, and give me the grace to depend henceforth wholly upon thee, as thou in all things didst depend upon thy Virgin Mother and St. Joseph; so that I may be fit to be a servant in thy Holy Family on earth, and then be admitted to the citizenship with the angels and thy saints in heaven; and therefore do thou bless me, save me, and help me. Amen.

Five times Glory be, &c., to the Heart of the Infant Jesus.

Act of Offering to the Most Holy Mary.

O Virgin and Mother, O sacred Temple of the Divinity, O marvel of Heaven and earth, my great Mother Mary, it is but just that, whilst thou hast brought forth for us an Infant God, we should adore in thee the most exalted dignity of the Mother of God, and should consecrate to so worthy a Mother all the homage of our whole being. I therefore offer myself and give myself up wholly unto thee this day, and desire with a resolute will to serve and love thine Holy Child Jesus, my Saviour and my God. I know that in doing so I shall give thee pleasure, and the homage which I pay to the Son will be also a homage paid unto the Mother.

Accept, then, O most loving Mother, this my offering of love, which, that it may be still more acceptable to thee, I present to thee by the hands of the Infant Jesus. Ah! by those swathing bands in which thou didst wrap him in the manger, bind my will, so that I may never retract the offering which I have made of myself this day to thee, and to thy Holy Infant; place me under thy most holy mantle, guard me, help me, and defend me to

the last moment of my life. Amen.

Three Hail Marys to the Heart of the Most Holy Mary.

Act of Offering to the Patriarch St. Joseph.

Most glorious Patriarch chastest spouse of the great Mother of God, and reputed father of my Lord Jesus Christ, my loving St. Joseph; confiding in the greatness of thy holiners, and inflamed with the love which Jesus and Mary bore thee, I choose thee this day in their presence to be my especial protector, advocate, and patron; and I firmly purpose to keep this devotion to thee always burning within my heart. And since I know that thou wert appointed by the Eternal Father to be the Head of the Holy Family upon earth, I desire to be one of its devoted servants and friends, and I beg of thee to admit me into the number. I desire, unworthy sinner though I be. to render to thee also the homage which I pay to the Infant Jesus and to his Virgin Mother. I beseech thee also, O my most glorious Father St. Joseph, to obtain for me, through thy great merits, and by thy most powerful intercession, the grace to imitate in my life thy most holy conversation with Jesus and Mary; so that I too, like thyself, may enjoy the assistance of Jesus and of Mary at my death, and in their arms may breathe forth my soul saying, Jesus, Joseph, and Mary, I give you my beartand my soul. Amen.

An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, to St. Joseph.

Let us pray.

O God, who by the Holy Family of the Incornate Word hast consecrated the whole carfin, and hast in Jesus, Mary, and Joseph given to us the pattern of hely living; grant that we, who by this Blessed Three implace of thee the grace of hely living, may, tegether with the angels, come-to praise thee in howen, who livest in thy blissful and undivided Trinity of pentin, world without end. Amen.

Propers to the Most Moly Intant Fesus and to St. Joseph,

TO OPTAIN PEED, AND DONFORT IN TIMES OF SUFFICULIES.

O most holy Infant Jesus, thou who knewest the affliction of thy reputed father St. Jesuph, and how to console him at the appointed time, revealing to him by

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the mouth of the archangel the mystery of thy divine incarnation in the womb of the most holy Mary; send to me, I beseech thee, in this time of my sore difficulty and affliction, the help and comfort of thy grace, so that I may find a remedy for the evils which weigh down my soul and body.

This favour I likewise seek from thee, O my beloved St. Joseph, beseeching thee to obtain it from the Infant Jesus, by that great joy which thou didnt feel at the angelic tidings, "That which is conceived in her is of the

Holy Ghost."

Five Glorys to the most holy and loving Heart of the Infant Jesus.

An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, to the amiable heart of St. Joseph.

Offerings to the Most Boly Jutunt,

TO HE MADE THE 25TH DAY OF EVERY MONTH BY HEADS OF FAMILIES.

O my most adorable Infant Jesus, my King, my Father, and my Lord, I dedicate myself to thee this day in thine honour, giving up to thee my whole being, my soul, my body, my will, and the goods which thou hast given me, and, in short, all that belongs to me; I beseech thee to take the possession and absolute dominion of it all, as I desire no longer to live but in thee, nor to possess any firing in the world, except it be according to thy will, permission, and divine appointment, so that heaceforth I must look upon myself simply as an instrument in they hands, O most holy Infant Jesus; to do whateoever their desirest of me, with a simple heart.

I beg these graces of thee, through the intercession of the most hely Vingin, thy Mother and my advocate, and

of my protector St. Joseph. Amen.

Litany of the Immaculate Conception, p. 339. Litany of the Incarnate Word, p. 322. Litany of the Infant Jesus, p. 324.

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The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary.

St. Dominic, the founder of the order of Friar-Preachers, having recourse to the Blessed Virgin in order to stem the flood of the Albigensian heresy, which was spreading itself like a plague over many countries, but especially over France. instituted, by special revelation from her, in the year 1206, and afterwards effectually promulgated, the devotion of the holy Rosary, which ever since has produced the most marvellous results in the Christian world.

The devotion called the Rosary consists of fifteen "Pater nosters" and "Glorias," and one hundred and fifty "Ave Marias," divided into three parts; each containing five "Decades," or tens; a decade consisting of one "Pater," ten "Aves," and a "Gloria." To each of these Decades is assigned one of the principal mysteries of the life of our Saviour, or his blessed Mother, as matter of meditation, whereone the mind is to exercise itself whilst at prayer, and therefore it is prefixed to every Decade.

The fifteen mysteries, as we have said, are divided into three parts, viz. five joyful, five sorrowful, and five glorious mysteries. Now the method consists in raising corresponding affections in the will during the recital of each Decade, such as the devotion of each one may suggest; for example, in the first part, sentiments of joy for the coming of our Redeemer; in the second, of compassion for the sufferings of our Lord, and contrition for our sins which were the occasion of them; in the third, of thanksgiving for the exaltation and glory of our Saviour and his blessed Mother, hoping, through the merits of his passion, and her intercession, to be made partakers of their glory. To assist the mind in this exercise, a short meditation and prayer is usually given to be used before and after each Decade. In order to say the Rosary well, we must not be satisfied with merely pronouncing the words of the prayers, or with a vague and general reflection on the mysteries; but endeavour to acquire the habit of reciting them with great attention and reverence, at the same time dwelling in a vivid manner upon the different mysteries.

Before beginning the Rosary, it is customary to make the sign of the cross, and say:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy

Ghost. Amen.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

After the fifth mystery, in each of the three divisions, is

said the "Salve Regina" and the prayers as at p. 658.

In order to animate all the faithful often to have recourse to the Bleisset Viigin by using this describen. Regis Benedict XIII. granted, by his Birist, Shustiminus, of April 13, M25, to all who say with contribution the whole Bossey of fifteen decades, or the thind part of its of five decades.

1. As indulgance of 1905 days for every Pater nactor and

every Ave Maria.

2. A plenesy indulgence to all who shall say the third part of it once every day for a year, on any one day in the year, after confession and communion.

The present Sovereign Pontiff Pius IX., by a decree of the S. Congr. of Includences of May 12, 1851, confirmed these

indulgences, and granted besides—

3. An indulgence of seven years and seven quarantines to every one who with contrition shall say a third part of the Rosary in company with others, either in public or private.

4. A plenary indulgence, on the last Suaday in every month, to all who are in the habit of saying with others, at least three times a week, the said third part of the Rosary; and also that on that Sunday they shall, after confession and communion, visit a church or public eratory, and present here for a time according to the mind of his Rollmess.

To gain these indulgences it is requisite that the Rosaries should be blessed by religious of the order of Friar-Preschers, and that, during the recital of the Rosary, meditation be made on the mysteries of the Birth, Passion, Death, Resursation, &c., of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to the decree of the S. Congr. of Indulgences of August 12, 1726, approved by the above-named Pope Benedict XIII. Note, moreover, that our holy Father deelared, in his Constitution Pretious, of May 16, 1727, § 4, that simple people who could not meditate might obtain the indulgence by merely saying the Rosary devently.

Further explanations will be found in the Little Bourn. Books.

THE ROSARY CALLED ST. BRIDGET'S.

This Chaplet is said in konour of the sixty-three years which, it is said, the most hely Mary lived upon this earth; it is composed of six divisions, each division consisting of one Pater noster, ten Awe Marias, and one Credo. After these, one Pater noster mere is said, and three more Ave Marias: thus in all these will be seven Pater nosters, to mark the number of her Seven Dobeurs and Seven Joys; and the three Awe Marias are added to make up the full number of sixty-three years. Moreover, it will be seen in the following summary that the same indulgences may be gained by saying the fifteen decades, or five decades only, as mentioned in the preceding Rosary.

It is requisite, in order to gain these indulgences, that the Chaplet, being made, as has been said, of six decades, &c., should be blessed by the superiors of the monastic houses or other priests of the order of St. Saviour, sometimes called

the order of St. Bridget, deputed for this purpose.

1. An includence of 100 days for each Pater, 100 days for each Ave, and 100 days for each Credo, to all the faithful who

say the Rosary or Chaplet of St. Bridget.

2. A planary indulgance to all who shall say at least five decades daily for a year, on any one day in the year when, after confession and communion, they shall pray for the Holy Church.

3. A plenary indulgence, on the Feast of St. Bridget, to all who say the said Resery of five decades at least once a week, and who on this cay shall, after confession and communion, visit a church, and pray to God there for the

Holy Church.

4. A plenary indulgence to all who, having confessed and communicated, or being at least contrite, shall have been accustomed to say this Rosary, as in No. 3, when, in articulo mortis, recommending their soul to God, they say the holy name Jesus in their hearts, if unable to do so with their lips.

5. A plenary indulgence, once a month, to all who say this Chaplet dealy for a month, on any que day whan, after confession and communion, they visit a chupch and pray as

above.

6. An indulgence of 100 days to all who carry this Rosary whenever they hear Mass, or assistat a sermon, or accompany the Most Holy Viaticum, or bring back any sinner into the way of salvation, or do any other good work in henour of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin, or St. Bridget, provided they say also three Pater nosters and three Ave Marias.

THE LIVING ROSARY.

To enable all to join the more readily in the recitation of the Rosary, an association has been instituted called the "Living Rosary," the members of which, by reciting daily one decade, enjoy the privileges accorded as above. It is thus arranged: Fifteen persons form themselves into a circle, and divide amongst them by lot the fifteen mysteries. Each recites his Our Father and ten Hail Marys daily; and by this means the entire Rosary is gone through by the circle every day. The association was confirmed by a brief of Gregory XVI., January, 1832.

THE FIVE JOYFUL MYSTERIES.

I. The Annunciation.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the angel Gabriel saluted Our Blessed Lady with the title, "Full of grace," and declared unto her the Incarnation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Our Father, &c. once; Hail Mary, ten times; Glory,

&c. once.

had of the Publishers.

1 By the Archangel's word of love That sunounced thee from above; By the grace to Mary given; By thy first descent from heav'n; Child of Mary, hear our cry; Thou wert helpless once as we; Now enthroned in majesty, Countless angels sing to thee.

The Prayer.

O Holy Mary, Queen of Virgins, by the most high mystery of the Incarnation of thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by which our salvation was so happily begun; obtain for us, by thy intercession, light to know this so great benefit which he hath bestowed upon us, in vouchsafing to become our brother, and making thee, his own most beloved Mother, to be our Mother also. Amen,

II. The Visitation.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed

1 The verses may be sung, if desired. Appropriate music may be

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Virgin Mary, understanding from the angel that her cousin St. Elizabeth had canceived, went with haste into the mountains of Judea to visit her, and remained with her three months.

Our Father, &c. as before.

By that journey made in haste O'ar the desert mountain waste; By that voice whose heavinly, tone. Thriff'd the Baptist is the wemh; Child of Mary, &c.

The Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, most spotless mirror of humility, by that exceeding charity which moved thee to visit thy holy cousin, St. Elizabeth; obtain for us by thy intercession that our hearts may be so visited by thy most holy Son, that, being free from all sin, we may praise him and give thanks for ever. Amen.

III. The Nativity.

Let us contemplate, in this mastery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, when the time of her delivery was come, brought forth our Bedeemer Christ Leene at midnight, and haid him in a manger, because there was no room for him in the inns at Bethlehem.

Our Father, &c.

By thy poer and levely lot, By the manger and the grot; By the tender feet and hands Folded in their sweedling hands; Child of Mary, &c.

The Prayer.

O most pure Mether of God, by thy virginal and most joyful delivery, by which thou gavest unto the world thy Son our Saviour; we beseech thee obtain for us, by thy intercession, grace to lead so pure and holy a life in this world, that we may worthly sing without ceasing, both by day and night, the mercies of thy Son, and his benefits to us by thee. Amen.

IV. The Presentation.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the most

Blessed Virgin Mary, on the day of her purification, presented the child Jesus in the Temple, where holy Simeon, giving thanks to God with great devotion, received him into his arms.

Our Father, &c.

By the joy of Simeon blest When he clasp'd thee to his breast; By the widow'd Anna's song Pour'd amid the wondering throng; Child of Mary, &c.

The Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, and admirable mistress and pattern of obedience, who didst present in the Temple the Lord of the Temple; obtain for us of thy beloved Son, that, with holy Simeon and devout Anna, we may praise and glorify him for ever. Amen.

V. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the Blessed Virgin Mary, having lost her beloved Son in Jerusalem, sought him for the space of three days, and at length found him the fourth day in the Temple, in the midst of the doctors, disputing with them, being then but twelve years old.

Our Father, &c.

By our Lady's glad delight, In the Temple, at the sight Of her Child so young and fair, Wiser than the wisest there; Child of Mary, &c.

The Prayer.

Most Blessed Virgin, more than martyr in thy sufferings, and yet the comfort of such as are afflicted, by that unspeakable joy wherewith thy soul was ravished in finding thy beloved Son in the Temple, in the midst of the doctors, disputing with them; obtain of him for us so to seek him and to find him in the Holy Catholic Church, that we may never be separated from him. Amen.

The "Salve Regina."

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweet-

ness, and our hope: to thee do we cry, poor banished sons of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show to us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O most clement, most pious, and most sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

Ry. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Hear, O merciful God, the prayers of thy servants, that we who meet together in the society of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mother of God may, through her intercession, be delivered by thee from the dangers

that continually hang over us. Amen.

O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death, and resurrection, hast purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech thee, that meditating upon those mysteries in the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain, and obtain what they promise; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE FIVE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES.

I. The Prayer and Sweat of Blood of our Blessed Saviour in the Garden.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ was so afflicted for us in the Garden of Gethsemani, that his body was bathed in a sweat of blood, which ran trickling down in great drops to the ground.

Our Father, &c. once; Hail Mary, &c. ten times;

Glory, &c. once.

By the blood that flow'd from thee In thy grievous agony; By the traitor's guileful kiss, Filling up thy bitterness; Jeau, Saviour, hear our cry; Thou wert suff'ring once as we; Now enthroused in majesty Countless angels sing to thee.

The Prayer.

Most Holy Vingin, more than martyr, by that ardent prayer which the beloved Son poured forth unto his Father in the garden; vouches to intercede for us, that our passions being reduced to the abedience of reason, we may always, and in all things, conform and subject ourselves to the will of God. Amen.

II. The Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ was so cruelly scourged in Pilate's house; the number of stripes they gave him being about five thousand, as it was revealed to St. Bridget.

Our Father, &c.

By the cords that, round thee cast, Bound thee to the piller fast; By the source so meetly bome; By thy purple robe of seom.; Jans, Saxiour, &c.

The Prayer.

O Mother of God, overflowing fountain of patience, by those stripes thy only and most beloved Son vouchsafed to suffer for us; obtain of him for us grace, that we may know how to mortify our rebellious senses, and cut off all occasions of minaling with that sword of grief and compassion which pierced thy mast tender soul. Amen.

III. The Crewning of Jesus with Thorus.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how those cruel ministers of Satan plaited a crown of sharp thorns, and most cruelly pressed it on the sacred head of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Father, &c.

By the therms that crown'd they head; By the sceptre of a read; By the foes, on bending knee, Mocking at the royalty; Jesu, Saviour, &c.

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The Prayer.

O Mother of our Eternal Prince and King of Glory, by those sharp thorns wherewith his most holy head was pierced, we beseech thee, that by thy intercession, we may be delivered here from all motions of pride, and in the day of judgment from that confusion which our sins deserve. Amen.

IV. Jesus carrying his Cross.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being sentenced to die, bore with great patience the cross, which was laid upon him for his greater torment and ignominy.

Our Father, &c.

By the people's cruel jeers;
By the holy women's tears;
By thy footsteps faint and slow,
Weigh'd beneath thy cross of woe;
Jesu, Saviour, &c.

The Prayer.

O Holy Virgin, example of patience, by the most painful carrying of the cross, on which thy Son, our Lord Christ, bore the heavy weight of our sins; obtain for us of him by thy intercession courage and strength to follow his steps, and bear our cross after him to the end of our lives. Amen.

V. The Crucifixion.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being come to Mount Calvary, was stripped of his clothes, and his hands and feet most cruelly nailed to the cross, in the presence of his most afflicted Mother. Our Father, &c.

> By thy weeping Mether's woe; By the sword that pierced her through When, in anguish standing by, On the cross she saw thee die; Jésu, Saviour, &c.

The Prayer.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, as the body of the believed Son was for us extended on the cross, so may our desires be daily more and more stretches out in his service, and our hearts wounded with compassion of his most bitter passion; and thou, O most blessed Vingin, voucheafe to negotiate for and with us the work of our salvation, by thy powerful intercession. Amen.

Hail, holy Queen, &c. as before, p. 658.

THE FIVE GLOBIOUS MYSTERIES.

I. The Resurrection.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, triumphing gloriously ever death, rose again the third day, immortal and impassible.

Our Father, &c.

By the first bright Easter-day,
When the stans was rolfft away;
By the glory round thee shed
At thy rising from the dead;
King of glory, hear our cry;
Make us soon thy joys to see,
Where enthround in majesty
Countless angels sing to thee.

The Prayer.

O glorious Virgin Mary, by that unspeakable joy thou receivedst in the resurrection of thy only-beloved Son; we beseech thee obtain of him for us, the our hearts may never go astray after the false joys of this world, but may be ever and wholly employed in pursuit of the only true and solid joys of heaven. Amen.

II. The Ascension.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, forty days after his resurrection, ascended into heaven, attended by angels, in sight of his most

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holy Mother, and his apostles, and disciples, to the great admiration of them all.

Our Father, &c.

By thy parting blessing giv'n As thou didst ascend to heav'n; By the cloud of fiving light That received thee out of sight; King of glory; &c.

The Prayer.

O Mother of God, comfort of the afflicted, as thy belowed Sen, when he ascended into heaven, listed up his hands, and blassed his Apostles, so vouchsade, most hely Mother; to litt up thy pure hands to him for us, that we many enjoy the heavels of his blassing here on earth, and hereafter in heaven. Access.

III. The Descent of the Holy Ghost.

Let us contemplate, in this glorious mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being maked at the right hand of God, sent (as he had promised) the Holy Glost upon his apostles, who, after he ascanded, returning to Jesusalem, continued in prayer and supplication with the Blessed Virgin Mary, expecting the performance of his promise.

Our Father, &c.

By that reshing sound of maght Coming down from hearen's height; By the cloven tongue of fre, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire.

King of glory, des.

The Prayer.

O secred Virgin, tahernash of the Holy Chost, we beseek thee obtain by thy intercession, that this most sweet Comforter, whom the beloved Son and down upon his Apostles, filling them thereby with spizitual joy, may teach us in this world the true way of salvatien, and make us walk in the paths of virtus and good works. Amen.

IV. The Assumption.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the glorious Virgin, twelve years after the resurrection of her Son, passed out of this world unto him, and was by him assumed into heaven, accompanied by the holy angels.

Our Father, &c.

See the Virgin Mother rise; Angels bear her to the skies; Mount aloft, imperial Queen, Plead on high the cause of men. King of glory, &c.

The Prayer.

O most prudent Virgin, who, entering into the heavenly palace, didst fill the holy angels with joy, and man with hope; vouchsafe to intercede for us in the hour of death, that being free from the illusions and temptations of the devil, we may joyfully and securely pass out of this temporal state to enjoy the happiness of eternal life. Amen.

V. The Crowning of the Blessed Virgin.

Let us contemplate, in this mystery, how the glorious Virgin Mary was, with great jubilee and exultation of the whole court of heaven, and particular glory of all the saints, crowned by her Son with the brightest diadem of glory.

Our Father, &c. -

Mary reigns upon the throne Freordain'd for her alone; Saints and angels round her sing, Mother of our God and King. King of glory, &c.

The Prayer.

O glorious Queen of all the heavenly citizens, we beseech thee accept this Rosary, which (as a crown of roses) we offer at thy feet; and grant, most gracious Lady, that by thy intercession our souls may be inflamed with so ardent a desire of seeing thee so gloriously crowned, that it may never die in us, until it shall be changed into the happy fruition of thy blessed sight. Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen, &c. p. 658.

Debotion of the Bona Mors.

In the name of the + Father, and of the Son, and of the

Holy Ghost.

Open thou our mouths, O Lord, to bless thy holy name; cleanse our hearts from all vain, evil, and distracting thoughts; enlighten our understandings and inflame our wills, that we may worthily perform this holy exercise with attention and devotion, and may deserve to be heard in the presence of thy divine Majesty. Who with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, God, world without end. Amen.

Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy on us.
Christe eleison.	Christ have mercy on us
Kyrie eleison.	Lord have mercy on us.
Sancta Maria, Ora pro nobis.	Holy Mary
Omnes sancti Angeli et	All ye holy Angels and
Archangeli, Orate pro nobis.	Archangels,
Sancte Abel, Ora.	St. Abel.
Omnis chorus Justorum, Ora.	All ye choir of the Just,
Sancte Abraham, Ora.	
Sancte Joannes Baptista, Ora.	
Sancte Joseph, Ora.	
Omnes sancti Patriarchæ	All ye holy Patriarchs and
et Prophetæ, Orate.	Prophets.
Sancte Petre, Ora.	St. Peter,
Sancte Paule, Ora.	St Paul
Sancte Andrea, Ora,	St. Andrew, St. John, All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,
Sancte Joannes, Ora.	St. John,
Omnes sancti Apostoli et	All ye holy Apostles and
Evangelistæ, Orate.	Evangelists, 3
Omnes sancti Discipuli	All ye holy Disciples of our §
Domini, Orate.	Lord,
Omnes sancti Innocentes,	All ye holy Innocents,
Orate.	• • •
Sancte Stephane, Ora.	St. Stephen,
Sancte Laurenti, Ora.	St. Laurence,
Omnes sancti Martyres, Orate.	All ye holy Martyrs.
Sancte Sylvester, Ora.	St. Sylvester,
Sancte Gregori Ora	
Sancte Augustine, Ora.	St. Austin,

Orate.

Omnes sancti Pontifices et

Confessores,

Confessors,

All we holy Bishops and

St. Benedict.

St. Francis,

Sancte Benedicte. Ora. Sancte Francisce, Ora. Omnes sancti Monachi et Eremitæ. Orate. Sancta Maria Magdalena, Ora. Sancta Lucia. Ora. Omnes sanctæ Virgines et Viduæ, Omnes Sancti et Sancta Dei, Intercedite pro nobis. Propitius esto. Parce nobis Domine. Propitius esto, Exaudi nos Domine. Propitius esto. Ab ira tua, A periculo mortis. A mala morte, A pœnis inferni, Ab omni malo, A potestate diaboli. Per nativitatem tuam,

Per nativitatem tuam,
Per crucem et passionem
tuam,
Per mortem et sepulturum
tuam,
Per gloriosam resurrectionem tuam,
Per admirabilem ascensionem tuam,
Per gratiam Spiritus Semeti
Paracliti,

In die judicii,
Peccatores, Te repumus mudi nos.
Ut nobis parcas,
Ut ad veram pecnitentiam so nos perducere digneris.

Ut omnibus fidelibus defunctis requiem asternam donare digneris,

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

hermits, St. Mary Magdalen. St. Lucy, All ye holy Virgins and Widews. All ye Samts of God. Interestle for us. Be merciful unto us. Spure 48, O Lord. Be merciful anto us. Hear we. O Lord. Be merciful unto us. From thy anger, From the peril of death. From an evil death. From the pains of hell. From all evil. From the power of the devil, By thy nativity, By thy cross and passion.

All ye holy Monks and

By thy death and surial,
By thy glarious resurrection,
By thy admirable ascention,

By the grace of the Mody
Chost the Persentent,
In the day of judgment,
We sinners, Besech dies to
hear we.
That thou wouldst speeces.
That then wouldst woman.

That then wouldst wouch a wrife to bring unto true penance.
That thou wouldst wouch a wrife to great over not cost to all the faithful do re

parted,
Lord have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.

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Let us pray.

We beseech thy elemency, O Lord, that thou wouldst vouchsafe so to strengthen the servants in thy grace, that at the hour of death the enemy may not prevail over them, but that they may deserve to pass with thy angels into everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who with thee liveth and reigneth in the unity of the Holy Chost, God, world without end. Amen.

Almighty and most gracious God, who for thy thirsting people didst bring forth from the rock a stream of living water, draw forth from the hardness of our hearts tears of compunction, that we may bewail our sins, and receive remission of them from thy mercy.

Through Christ our Lord.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world, behold, prostrate at thy feet, an ungrateful and perfidious creature. O my God, I have offended thee exceedingly in thought, in word, and in deed. My heinous crimes fixed thee to the bloody cross. To resone me from eternal damnation, thou didst endure an agony of three hours on Mount Calvary. How much I am edispleased with myself, how geneved at having offended thee, a God of infinite goodness, of infinite chartby! I am astemished at thy answearied patience in supporting a provoking sinner. With my whole heart I detest any sins; and because I love thee, and will lave thee above all created things, I steadfastly purpose, by the help of thy grace, never more to effend thee, and rather to die than to commit one mortal ms. Amen.

Jesu dukissime, in horto mestus, Patrem quans, et in agonia positus, sanguineum suderem effandens: miserere nobis.

R. Miserere nestri Domine, miserere nestri.

Jesu dulcissime, oscalo traditoris in manus impiorum traditus, et tamenam latro captus et ligatus, et a discipalis derelicius: miserere nefeis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domine, miserere nestri.

Jesu dulcissime, ab iniquo

O Jesus, who during thy prayer to the Father in the garden, wast so filled with sorrow and anguish, that there came forth from thee a bloody sweat: have mercy on us.

By. Have mercy on us, O Lord; have mercy on us.

O.Jesus, who wast betrayed by the kiss of a traitor into the hands of the wicked, seized and bound like a thief, and abandoned by thy disciples: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O Lord: have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who by the unjust

Judæorum concilio reus mortis acclamatus, ad Pilatum tamquam malefactor ductus, ab iniquo Herode spretus et delusus: miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domine, miserere nostri.

Jesu dilcissime, vestibus denudatus, et in columna crudelissime fiagellatus: miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domi-

ne, miserere nostri.

Jesu dulcissime, spinis coronatus, colapis cæsus, arundine percussus, facie velatus, veste purpurea circumdatus, multipliciter derisus, et opprobriis saturatus: miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domi-

ne, miserere nostri.

Jesu dulcissime, latroni Barabbæ postpositus, a Judæis reprobatus, et ad mortem crucis injuste condemnatus: miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domi-

ne, miserere nostri.

Jesu dulcissime, ligno crucis oneratus, et ad locum supplicii tanquam ovis ad occisionem ductus: miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domi-

ne, miserere nostri.

Jesu dulcissime, inter latrones deputatus, blasphematus et derisus, felle et aceto potatus, et horribilibus tormentis ab hora sexta usque ad horam nonam in ligno cruciatus; miserere nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Domiiserere nostri.

TOTOLO HOSULI

council of the Jews wast sentenced to death, led like a malefactor before Pilate, scorned and derided by the impious Herod: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast stripped of thy garments, and most cruelly scourged at the pillar: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast crowned with thorns, buffeted, struck with a reed, blindfolded, clothed with a purple garment, in many ways derided, and overwhelmed with reproaches: have mercy on us.

By. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast less esteemed than the murderer Barabbas, rejected by the Jews, and unjustly condemned tothe death of the cross: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast loaded with a cross, and led to the place of execution as a lamb to the slaughter: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast numbered among thieves, blasphemed and derided, made to drink of gall and vinegar, and crucified in dreadful torment from the sixth to the ninth hour: have mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us.

Jesa dulcissime, in patibulo crusis mortuus, et coram tua sancia Matre lancea perforatus, simulsanguinem etaquam conitiens: mismare achis.

By. Miserere nostri Domi-

ne, miserere nostri.

Jesu dulcissime, de cruce depositus, et lacrymis mœstissimæ Virginis Matris tuæ perfusus: miserere nobis.

R. Miserere nestri Domi-

no, miserere nostri.

fesu dulcisume, plagis circumdatus, quinque valuedhus signatus, aromatibus conditus, et in sepulcino repositus: misurero nobis.

Ry. Miserere nostri Donni-

ne, miserere nestri.

V. Vere languores nostros ipse tulit.

Ry. Et dolores nostros ipse portavit.

O Jesus, who didst expire on the cross, who, in presence of thy holy Mother, wast pierced with a lance, and from whose side poured forth blood and water: here mercy on us.

Ry. Have mercy on us, U Lerd; have mercy on us,

O Jesus, who west taken down from the cross, and bathed in the tears of thy most sorrowing Virgin Mother: have mercy on us.

EV. Have mercy on us, O Lord; have mercy on us.

O Jesus, who wast covered with bruises, marked with the five wounds, embalmed with spices, and laid in the sepulchre: have mercy on us.

W. Have mercy on us, O

Lord; have mercy on us. Y. He truly hath borne our

sorrows. E7. And he hath carried our

Let us pray.

exiefs.

O God, who for the redemption of the world didst deign to be born, to be circumuised, to be rejected by the Jews, and betrayed by Judas with a kiss, to be bound with fetters, and led like an innocent lamb to the slaughter, to be ignominiously brought before Annas, Caiphas, Pilate, and Herod, to be accused by false witnesses, to be scourged, buffeted, and reviled, to be spit upon, to be crowned with thorns, and struck with a reed, to be blindfolded, to be stripped of thy garments, to be nailed to a cross and raised thereon, to be numbered among thieves, to be made to drink of gall and vineger, and to be pierced with a lance: do thou, O Lord, by these thy most holy sufferings, which I, thy unworthy servant commemorate, and by thy most holy cross and death, deliver me from the pains of hell, and vouchsafe to conduct me whither thou didst conduct the penitent thief who was crucified with thee. Who with the Father and the Hely Chest livest and reignest for ever and ever.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I adore the sacred wound of thy left foot. I thank thee for the pain which thou didst endure with so much love and charity. I condole with thee in thy sufferings, and with thy afflicted Mother. I humbly beg pardon for my sins, which I deplore beyond all imaginable evils, because they offend thee, O infinite goodness; and I resolve never more to sin. Vouchsafe to convert all sinners, and to make them understand the heinousness and the enormity of mortal sin.

Our Father. &c. Hail Mary, &c. Glory be, &c.

Sancta Mater, istud agas, Crucifixi fige plagas Cordi mee valide.

Holy Mother, pierce me through, In my heart each wound renew Of my Saviour crucified.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I adore the sacred wound of thy right foot. I thank thee for the pain which thou didst endure with so much love and charity. I condole with thee in thy sufferings, and with thy afflicted Mother. Grant me strength against all temptations, and prompt ebedience in the execution of thy holy will. Comfort, O Jesus, all the poor, the miserable, and the afflicted; all who are tempted or persecuted. Most just Judge, govern those who administer justice, and assist all those who labour in the care of souls.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. Glory be, &c.

Sancta Mater, &c.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I adore the sacred wound of thy left hand. I thank thee for the pain which thou didst endure with so much love and charity. I condole with thee in thy sqfferings, and with thy afflicted Mother. Deliver me from the pains of hell; grant me patience in the adversities of this life, and conformity in all things to thy blessed will. I offer unto thee all my sufferings both of mind and body, in satisfaction for my sins, which have so often deserved eternal torments. Pardon all my enemies, and all those who bear ill-will against me. Grant patience to the sick, and restore them to health; and support with thy assisting grace all who are in their agony, that they may not perish.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. Glory be, &c.

Sancta Mater, &c.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I adore the sacred wound of thy right hand. I thank thee for the pain which thou didst endure with so much love and charity. I condole with thee in thy sufferings, and with thy afflicted Mother. Grant me a resolute will to seek after all things which concern my salvation. Grant me the grace of final perseverance, that I may secure the enjoyment of that glory which was purchased at the price of thy most precious blood. Grant likewise, O Jesus, peace and relief to the souls in purgatory, and daily advance

towards perfection thy holy servants in this world, more especially those who are of this confraternity.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. Glory be, &c.

Sancta Mater, &c.

O Lord Jesus Christ, I adore the sacred wound in thy blessed side. I thank thee for the infinite love manifested towards us at the opening of thy sacred Heart. Grant me a pure and perfect charity, that loving all things for thy sake, and thee above all things, I may breathe my last in the purest sentiments of divine love. Protect thy holy Catholic Church, direct thy governing Vicar upon earth, all ecclesiastical orders, and all pious persons who are instrumental in the conversion of souls. Preserve in thy holy service all Christian kings and princes. Bring back into the way of salvation all those who have gone astray, whether through malice or ignorance; and subject unto thy sacred yoke all infidels, heretics, and enemies of thy holy name.

Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. Glory be, &c.

Sancta Mater, &c.

. Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, God of my heart; by those five wounds which thy love for us inflicted on thee, succour thy servants whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Amen.

Most merciful Redeemer, by those unspeakable torments and by the grief which thou wast pleased to suffer for me, especially when thy soul was separated from thy body, I humbly beseech thee to secure my soul at the hour of its departure, and to comfort me then, as thou didst comfort the penitent thief, with the blessed assurance that I shall be with thee in Paradise.

The Stabat Mater, or part of it, is then sung: see p. 443.

Let us say thrice the Our Father, and thrice the Hail Mary, in memory of the three hours our Redeemer hung upon the Cross, for the souls of the faithful departed of this congregation.

Let us say once the Our Father and the Hail Mary, for

those who are in the deplorable state of mortal sin.

Let us likewise say once the Our Father and the Hail Mary, for the person of this congregation who is next to die, that he may depart happily, strengthened with the holy sacraments of the Church.

Let us dispose ourselves, by acts of perfect contrition and of pure love of God, to receive profitably the benediction of our Lord and Saviour in the adorable Sacrament of the Altar.

O merciful Redeemer and God of infinite patience, great is my confusion at appearing in thy divine presence, because I have so frequently preferred contemptible creatures before thee, the Almighty Creator of the universe. I utterly detest my presumption in sinning in thy most pure sight. I acknowledge that I am a criminal, and I plead guilty at the bar of thy dread tribunal. Thou mightest have been glorified in thy justice, by striking me suddenly dead, and by condemning me to eternal flames for the base indignities I have offered thee; but thou wast pleased to be glorified in the high prerogative of thy mercy, by recalling me to repentance. I abhor all my crimes of thought, of word, and of deed, not merely for the fear of punishment and for the hope of reward, but chiefly for thy sake, and because thou does infinitely detest them. O God of majesty and mercy, look upon the sacred marks in thy hands, feet, and side, which thou dost still retain in thy glorified body, that they may plead in my behalf. By that tender love which induced thee to create, to redeem, and to sanctify me, unite thy infinite merits to my profound misery. Strengthen my weakness, confirm this my resolution of never more offending thee; rather let me lose every thing, even life itself, than lose thy favour by mortal sin. My heart was created for thee, and I love thee better than myself. Every day of my life, and especially that on which I shall expire, I will strive to love and to serve thee for thy own sake, my God and my Creator. O Saviour of perishing mankind, who openest thy hand, and fillest every creature with benediction, give me now such a blessing as thou didst bestow on thy beloved disciples, when ascending in triumph from the mountain of Olives, that I may live and die in these happy dispositions. Amen.

Say thrice every day, with a desire of obtaining a good death for all members of the congregation, the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary, and once the following prayer: "Lord, into thy hands I commend my spirit, and all those who are or shall be in the agony of death. Mary, Mother of grace, Mother of mercy, defend us from the enemy, and receive us at the hour of death. Amen."

Plenary Indulgences, on the usual conditions, on the day of admission; at the hour of death for all who shall devoutly invoke the sacred name of Jesus; on any one Friday or Sunday in each month, for all who receive the blessed Eucharist in a church wherein this congregation is established, and shall assist at the beardiction of the most holy Sacrament; on Christmas-day, the Epiphany, Easter Sunday, the Ascension, Whit-Sunday, and other principal Feasts.

The Stations, or Way of the Cross.

The priests and acolyths, kneeling before the altar, say as follows:

O Jesus, our adorable Saviour, behold us prostrate at thy feet, imploring thy mercy for ourselves, and for the souls of all the faithful departed. Vouchsafe to apply to us the infinite merits of thy passion, on which we are now about to meditate. Grant that while we trace this path of sighs and tears, our hearts may be so touched with contrition and repentance, that we may be ready to embrace with joy all the crosses and sufferings and humiliations of this our life and pilgrimage.

STATION I.

JESUS CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

▼. Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi.

R. Quia per sanotam crucem tuam redimisti mundum. y. We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

R. Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Leaving the house of Caiphas, where he had been blasphemed, and the house of Herod, where he had been mocked, Jesus is dragged before Pilate, his back torn with scourges, his head crowned with thorns; and he, who on the last day will judge the living and the dead, is himself condemned to a disgraceful death.

It was for us that thou didst suffer, O blessed Jesus; it was for our sins that thou wast condemned to die. O, grant that we may detest them from the bottom of our hearts, and by this repentance obtain thy mercy and pardon.

Act of Contrition.

O God, we love thee with our whole hearts and above all things, and are heartily sorry that we have offended thee. May we never offend thee any more. Oh, may we love thee without ceasing, and make it our delight to do in all things thy most holy will.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

▼. Miserere nostri, Domine. Ry. Miserere nostri.

y. Fidelium animæ, per misericordiam Dei requiescent in pace. Rr. Amen.

The procession then moves to the second Station, singing,

Crucifixi fige plagas Cordi meo valide.

Saneta Mater, istud agas, Holy Mother, pierce me thro', In my heart each wound renew Of my Saviour crucified.

STATION II.

JESUS IS LADEN WITH THE CROSS.

▼. Adoramus te. &c.

ly. Quia per sanctam, &c.

A heavy cross is laid upon the bruised shoulders of Jesus. He receives it with meekness, nay, with a secret joy, for it is the instrument with which he is to redeem the world.

O Jesus, grant us, by virtue of thy cross, to embrace with meekness and cheerful submission the difficulties of our state, and to be ever ready to take up our cross and follow thee.

The Act of Contrition may be repeated each time.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater. &c.

STATION ELL.

JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME UNDER THE WEIGHT OF THE CROSS.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

Bowed down under the weight of the cross, Jesus slowly sets forth on the way to Calvary, amidst the mockeries and insults of the crowd. His agony in the garden has exhausted his body; he is sore with blows and wounds; his strength fails him; he falls to the ground under the cross.

O Jesus, who for our sins didst bear the heavy burden of the cross, and didst fall under its weight, may the thought of thy sufferings make us watchful over ourselves, and save us from any grievous fall into sin.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.

Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION IV.

JESUS MEETS HIS MOST HOLY MOTHER.

y. Adoramus te, &c.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

Still burdened with his cross, and wounded yet more by his fall, Jesus proceeds on his way. He is met by his Mother. What a meeting must that have been! What a sword of anguish must have pierced that Mother's heart! What must have been the compassion of that Son for his holy Mother!

O Jesus, by the compassion which thou didst feel for thy Mother, have compassion on us, and give us a share in her intercession. O Mary, most afflicted Mother, intercede for us, that, through the sufferings of thy Son, we may be delivered from the wrath

to come.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION V.

JESUS IS HELPED BY THE CYRENEAN TO CARRY HIS CROSS.

▼. Adoramus te, &c.

Ry. Quia per sanctam, &c.

As the strength of Jesus fails, and he is unable to proceed, the executioners seize and compel Simon of Cyrene to carry his cross. The virtue of that cross changed the Cyrenean's heart, and from a compulsory task it became a privilege and a joy.

O Lord Jesus, may it be our privilege also to bear thy cross; may we glory in nothing else; by it may the world be crucified unto us, and we unto the world; may we never shrink from sufferings, but rather rejoice if we should be counted worthy to suffer for thy name's sake.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.
Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION VI.

VERONICA WIPES THE FACE OF JESUS.

V. Adoramus te, &c.

Ry. Quia per sanctam, &c.

As Jesus proceeds along the way, covered with the sweat of death, a woman, moved with compassion, makes her way through the crowd, and wipes his face with a handkerchief. As a reward of her piety, the impression of his sacred countenance is miraculously imprinted upon the handkerchief.

O Jesus, may the contemplation of thy sufferings move us to the deepest compassion, make us hate our sins, and kindle in our hearts more fervent love of thee. May thy image be graven on our minds,

until we are transformed into thy likeness.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION VII.

JESUS FALLS BENEATH HIS CROSS THE SECOND TIME.

♥. Adoramus te, &c.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

The pain of his wound, and the loss of blood increasing at every step of his way, again his strength fails him, and Jesus falls to the ground a second time.

O Jesus, who didst fall a second time beneath the load of our sins and of thy sufferings for our sins, how often have we grieved thee by our repeated falls into sin! O, may we rather die than ever offend thee again!

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION VIII.

JESUS CONSOLES THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

At the sight of the sufferings of Jesus, some holy women in the crowd were so touched with sympathy, that they openly bewailed and lamented him. Jesus, knowing the things that would befall Jerusalem because of its rejection of him, turned to them, and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."

O Lord Jesus, we mourn, and will mourn, both for thee and for ourselves; for thy sufferings, and for our sins which caused them. O, teach us so to mourn, that we may be comforted, and may escape those dreadful judgments which are prepared for all

who shall reject or neglect thee in this life.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION IX.

JESUS FALLS BENEATH HIS CROSS THE THIRD TIME.

y. Adoramus te, &c.

Ry. Quia per sanctam, &c.

Jesus had now arrived almost at the summit of Calvary; but before he reached the spot where he was to be crucified, his strength again fails him, and he falls the third time, to be again dragged up and goaded onward by the brutal soldiery.

O Lord Jesus, we entreat thee, by the merits of this thy third most painful fall, to pardon our frequent relapses and our long continuance in sin; and may the thought of these thy sufferings make us

hate our sins more and more.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere postri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION X.

JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS, AND IS GIVEN
GALL TO DRINK.

▼. Adoramus te, &c.

Ry. Quia per sanctam, &c.

Arrived at last at the place of sacrifice, they prepare to crucify him. His garments are torn from his bleeding body, and he, the Holy of hoties, stands exposed to the vulgar gaze of the rude and scotling multitude.

O Lord Jesus, thou didst endure this shame for our most shameful deeds. Strip us, we beseech thee, of all false shame, conceit, and pride, and make us so to humble ourselves voluntarily in this life, that we may escape everlasting ignominy in the world to come.

Pater. Ave. Gloria.
Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION XI.

JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS.

▼. Adoramus te, &c. R7. Quia per sanctam, &c.

The cross is laid upon the ground, and Jesus is stretched upon his bed of death. At one and the same time, he offers his bruised limbs to his heavenly Father in behalf of sinful man, and to his fierce executioners to be nailed by them to the ignominious tree. The blows are struck! the blood gushes orth!

O Jesus, nailed to the cross, fasten to it our hearts also, that they may be united to thee until death shall strike us with its fatal blow, and with our last breath we hall with

last breath we shall yield up our souls to thee.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION XII.

JESUS IS RAISED ON THE CROSS, AND DIES UPON IT.

V. Adoramus te, &c.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

For three hours Jesus has hung upon his transfixed hands; his blood has run in streams down his body, and bedewed the ground; and, in the midst of excruciating sufferings, he has pardoned his murderers, promised the bliss of Paradise to the good thief, and committed his blessed Mother and beloved disciple to each ether's care. All is now consummated; and meekly bowing down his head, he gives up the ghost.

O Jesus, we devoutly embrace that honoured cross whereon thou didst love us even unto death. In that death we place all our confidence. Henceforth let us live only for thee; and in dying for thee, let

us die loving thee and in thy sacred arms.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION XIIL

JESUS TAKEN DOWN FROM THE CROSS.

Ry. Quia per sanctam, &c.

The multitudes have left the heights of Calvary, and none remain save the beloved disciple and the holy women, who, at the foot of the cross, are striving to bring consolation to Christ's inconsolable Mother. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus take down the body of her divine Son from the cross, and deposit it in her arms.

O thou, whose grief was boundless as an unfathomable ocean, Mary, Mother of God, grant us

share in thy most holy sorrow for the sufferings of thy Son, and have compassion on our infirmities. Accept us as thy children with the beloved disciple. Show thyself a Mother to us; and may he, through thee, receive our prayer, who for us vouchsafed to be thy Son.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c. Sancta Mater, &c.

STATION XIV.

JESUS LAID IN THE HOLY SEPULCHER.

▼. Adoramus te, &c.

R. Quia per sanctam, &c.

The body of her dearly-beloved Son is taken from his Mother, and laid by the disciples in the tomb. The tomb is closed, and in it the lifeless body remains until the hour of its glorious resurrection.

We too, O God, are ready to go down into the grave whenever it shall please thee, in whatsoever manner it shall please thee, and wheresoever it shall please thee. Let thy just decrees be fulfilled; let our sinful bodies return to the dust from which they came; but do thou, in thy great mercy, receive our immortal souls, and when our bodies shall have risen again, place them likewise in thy kingdom, that we may love and bless thee for ever and ever. Amen.

Pater. Ave. Gloria. Miserere nostri, &c.

Or the following instead of the Sancta Mater:

From pain to pain, from woe to woe, With loving hearts and footsteps slow, To Calvary with Christ we go.

See how his precious blood at every station pours. Was ever grief like his? was ever sin like curs?

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